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LOBLAW AND CLS LAUNCH PHASE II AT GTH 100,000 SQ. FT. FREEZER SET FOR PHASE III.

Saskatchewan Premier, the Honourable Brad Wall, along with senior officials from Loblaw, Canadian Logistics Services and the City of Regina recently announced the opening of Phase II of the CLS warehouse and distribution centre at the Global Transportation Hub, in west Regina. Phase I opened in February 2011.

"The pace of this development has grown well beyond expectations," Premier Wall said. "The GTH is becoming part of Saskatchewan's gateway to the new west and to the world. It is creating significant benefits that are accruing to the province, including new job and career opportunities for Saskatchewan people. Hundreds of jobs in transportation, warehousing and distribution are in addition to professional

careers in global logistics and supply chain management," the Premier said.

"We are proud to be contributing to the economic strength of the province of Saskatchewan and the Regina region," Senior Vice-President of Operations for CLS, Blair Clarke said. "We offer quality jobs at CLS and are very proud of the fact that CLS is among the first to create a large number of jobs in the supply chain sector. This is a new occupational group for Regina and area and opens up new opportunities for the local labour market," Clarke said.

The mammoth million sq. ft. warehouse and distribution centre is working in three shifts, seven days a week, and is storing and transporting 30 million cases of goods each year. CLS serves Loblaw Companies Limited stores, including Real Canadian Superstores and independent franchises in western Canada. "Our job is to make sure that Loblaw receives the goods they need, when they need them," Clarke added.

"The opening of phase II of the Regina distribution centre is exciting for us and represents our continued commitment to the province of Saskatchewan and the Global Transportation Hub," Senior Vice-President of Supply Chain for Loblaw Companies Limited, Robert Wiebe said. "We are proud to support CLS as they serve thousands of our customers every day. They provide quality customer service for our stores and a great place for residents of Regina to work," Wiebe said.

As part of one of the most important economic development projects in the province, the state-of-the-art logistics operation has had a strong impact on Regina and the surrounding region.

With the current combination of CLS, Loblaw, Canadian Pacific's Intermodal construction and the GTH's own infrastructure program, over 3,600 truck movements are now taking place weekly at the GTH.



Long combination vehicles, in this case a "turnpike triple", travel between the GTH and Saskatoon



Long-combination vehicles, depicted above, are being used at the GTH by Loblaw. Single in the front, double in the middle and triple behind.



Loblaw SR.VP for Supply Chain, Rob Wiebe



Loblaw trucks ready for the road



Phase II opens - Phase III scheduled summer 2012



Phase II employs 800 at CLS



One aisle of CLS which features 285 bay doors



CLS SR. VP of Operations, Blair Clarke



CLS Regina GM Darcy Scott



CLS operating three shifts per day



The latest technologies are utilized by CLS



Kevin Hankinson, CFF West Regional Vice President (left), Ron Tepper, CFF President and CEO (centre), with Don McCuaig, CFF Mid-West Regional Manager (right). Tepper says the company will move its Regina distribution facility on Dewdney Avenue to the GTH and co-locate with Canadian Pacific's new Intermodal Facility.

CONSOLIDATED FASTFRATE LATEST TO JOIN THE GTH.



Ron Tepper, CFF President and CEO

Regina – Consolidated Fastfrate (CFF), one of the largest privately owned transportation and logistics services in Canada, recently announced a 10,000 sq. ft. cross-dock facility as the first phase of a multi-phased project that would start construction at the Global Transportation Hub (GTH) in 2012.

CFF President and CEO Ron Tepper said the company would build the \$4 million facility as part of its "plans to grow into a second and third phase that would include warehousing and transloading facilities, where containers are

transferred from one mode of transport to another." CFF's rationale for locating at the GTH is quite simple. "There's an awful lot of need for containers to be shipped overseas for products that originate in Saskatchewan. Currently it's difficult for the farmers and the shippers to get these containers because there are not a lot of empty containers that 'deadhead' in Regina," Tepper said.

"We're hoping that when we build this transload centre and we start bringing in these containers they can be used for outbound (shipments). It should be very productive, not only for us, but the railway and for the manufacturers and producers in Saskatchewan," he said.

The Hon. Bill Boyd, Minister Responsible and Chair of the Board of the Global Transportation Hub, said CFF is showing confidence in Saskatchewan's export-oriented economy. "Clearly, it's another carrier that has identified Saskatchewan and Regina as the place to be," Boyd said.

"CFF and CP have a historic partnership that dates back to 1966 when they made intermodal history by embarking on a national co-location program. CFF's decision to build adjacent to CP facilities in various locations in Canada has



Hon. Bill Boyd, Chair – GTH Board of Directors

helped both organizations achieve growth," says Kevin Hankinson, CFF's West Region Vice-President. Regina Mayor Pat Fiacco said the announcement affirms the vision for the GTH and the synergies that are created for the movement of goods. "Throughout the discussions of the relocation of CP's intermodal yard to west Regina and the creation of the GTH, the co-location of related businesses has always been pivotal to the success of the GTH," Fiacco said.

For over 45 years CFF has provided market leading transportation services in western Canada that connects with Ontario, Quebec and Atlantic Canada. The company employs more than 1,600 people and transports more than two billion pounds of freight annually.



Saskatchewan Premier, The Honourable Brad Wall, with a chart indicating the size of the CLS warehouse compared to downtown Regina.



The GTH congratulates the Saskatchewan Trucking Association in celebration of their 75th anniversary.

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