



Corbec announces the construction of a new plant in Quebec City

Montreal, 26 May 2010 - Corbec Corporation is proud to announce the building of a new hot dip galvanizing plant in Saint-Augustin-de-Desmaures, near Quebec City. The new 100,000+ square foot plant will be the biggest in Quebec, ahead of Corbec's Montreal plant. It will also be the safest, most technologically advanced galvanizing plant in North America.

With the opening of the new plant due to be in operation in the fall of 2011, Corbec will be creating 50 full time jobs. "Due to our investment in high technology equipment and systems automation, this plant will be competitive on every project no matter where it is in the world," said Corbec President, John Hall. "With three times the capacity of the current plant, we will be able to turn jobs around in half the time currently required," he added.

The new high technology involved in this project will put Quebec at the forefront of the world's galvanizing industry. In order to succeed in a context of fierce global competitiveness in the industry, Corbec designed this plant to make the Saint-Augustin operations the best in all facets of galvanizing for years to come. With the use of industry-leading European technology, the new plant will achieve higher productivity, improved consistency of product quality, increased worker safety and reduced volume of waste to be treated.

The new plant's kettle size and computer automation of preparation and dipping times will vastly reduce the chance of human error. Higher risk areas of the plant will be automated, thus reducing human exposure in those areas. Workers safety will be further improved by enclosing the automated chemical bath areas.

The new plant will also bring considerable advantages for the consumers. A new computerized scheduling system will bring the reliability level of delivery promises to near 100%. As well, each customer/product group will have a pre-programmed 'recipe' that will improve consistency of quality.

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