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## ***Giffels Corporation Expands into Western Canada***

**Toronto, ON – April 7, 2010** – Today, the Ingenium Group of companies completed the purchase of Westpro Constructors Group Ltd. of Surrey, BC. This acquisition will merge Westpro with Ingenium’s construction division, comprising Giffels Corporation, Giffels Infrastructure Inc., Giffels Partnership Solutions and Design & Construction Giffels Québec Inc.

The addition of Westpro will complement and expand Giffels’ diversified range of services and expertise in construction, design-build and partnership solutions coast to coast.

Westpro was established in 1993 as the BC division of a large multi-national construction group and was subsequently acquired by its management team, headed by Joel Nauss. Westpro quickly became an innovative and profitable mid-sized construction company, with a core employee group of just under 50, expanding to 100 or more based on project volume.

The company will operate as Westpro Infrastructure Ltd. to undertake transportation and infrastructure projects and will provide management support for Giffels ongoing activities with institutional and commercial buildings in Western Canada.

“The Westpro team is extremely happy to have joined the Ingenium family,” stated Joel Nauss, President, Westpro Constructors Group Ltd. “We think this a perfect match of our two companies and with the established contacts, clients and project history that we have in Western Canada, the Giffels and Westpro brands will become well known in a very short time. This merger gives us the ability to expand our business, resources and corporate profile across Canada and allows us to provide new areas of expertise to support our clients.”

Westpro is a multi-disciplined firm with expertise in all aspects of heavy civil construction including; earthworks, sewer and water, welded steel water main construction, concrete forming and placing, infrastructure, mechanical and electrical construction. It is also one of Western Canada’s preeminent commercial general contractors specializing in institutional, commercial and infrastructure construction. Westpro has extensive experience in completion of seismic upgrade projects as well as expansion, construction and major renovations in existing operating buildings.

Now, under the name of Westpro Infrastructure Ltd., an Ingenium Group company, Westpro will expand its solid track record in infrastructure and transportation projects and also, under the Giffels brand, capitalize on opportunities for wide range of commercial and institutional projects nationally.

“Our companies provide services to a broad range of business sectors which allows us to be flexible and adaptable as the economy evolves,” says Victor Smith, CEO, Ingenium Group and President of Giffels Corporation. “We believe that in today’s market and certainly for the foreseeable future, a strong management team and market diversity are critical for growth. Bringing Westpro into our organization will be a key factor in achieving both objectives. Together we are going to build on our strong reputations for quality design and construction services and offer a range of services and depth of experience unmatched in Canada.”

Already, Giffels and Westpro enjoy a successful working relationship on a significant BC project, the Alouette Correctional Centre for Women.

Over the past five years, Westpro has successfully completed dozens of projects ranging in size up to \$20 million with average annual volumes of approximately \$40 million. Recent projects include: WestCoast Express Rail Stations for British Columbia Transit, Norrish Creek Water Treatment Plant in the Fraser Valley Regional District, Vancouver Wharves Ltd. Berth 4/5 Redevelopment, National Research Council Institute for Fuel Cell Innovation at the UBC Campus, Coquitlam River Elementary School and various projects at Vancouver International Airport.

Westpro clients will now be able to draw on the resources of the entire Giffels construction division, with integrated capabilities in all facets of construction, design-build and partnership solutions focusing on public sector markets including education, justice, specialized housing and municipal buildings as well as continuing with their existing relationships on major infrastructure projects.

**Giffels Corporation:** Giffels Corporation is part of the employee-owned Ingenium Group of companies which has offices around the globe. The Ingenium strategic vision is to provide clients with integrated construction, architectural and engineering services and solutions from a single source provider.

Giffels is diversified across multiple sectors and geographic regions, with a portfolio of projects completed under diverse construction delivery methods and with a scope and scale including projects valued up to \$100 million. The regional operations are managed from offices in Toronto, Montreal, and Vancouver, BC.

Major Giffels projects include: Accreditation Canada office complex, Ottawa, ON; Smart Technologies technology development centre, Kanata, ON; Archives One Ontario Government document storage facility, Bolton, ON; City of Brampton works operation yard redevelopment, Brampton, ON; General Motors Centre, Oshawa, ON; Jean-Vanier Secondary School, Welland, ON; Cobourg Multi-Use Community Centre, Cobourg, ON; College Charles-Lemoyne, Ste-Catherine, QC; Les Tours du Chateau, Vaudreuil-Dorion, QC; Belvedere seniors complex, Trois-Rivieres, QC; South Okanagan Events Centre, Penticton, BC; Northern Sports Centre, Prince George, BC; University of the Fraser Valley Trades and Technology Centre, Chilliwack, BC; Sears Canada warehouse and distribution centres in Toronto, ON, Port Coquitlam, BC and Calgary, AB; SLH Transport tractor/trailer maintenance facility and fuelling station, Calgary, AB, and multiple ING Real Estate projects in Calgary and Edmonton, AB.

**Ingenium Group Inc.:** Delivering global building solutions, the Ingenium Group of companies offers an extensive range of architectural, engineering, land use and development planning, interior design, project management, construction, design-build and partnership solution services through offices in Canada, the United States, the Middle East, Eastern Europe and Asia. The Ingenium Group member company brands include Giffels, NORR and Cion. For more information: [www.theingeniumgroup.com](http://www.theingeniumgroup.com)

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