

Land Acquired for New Toronto Distribution Centre

“What are we going to do with all this space?” asked Jim Decker, Eastern Division Manager, when the then-new 30,000 foot 12-door facility was nearing completion in Brampton in 1998. Well, Jim and his people found lots to do with it, outgrew it, and ten years later we’re starting all over again, this time with 36 loading doors on seven acres of land on the new Drew Road extension at Airport Road in Mississauga, close to YYZ.



*Bob Hartin and Jim Decker
visit the new Mississauga site*

According to Bob Hartin, founder of Western Logistics: “Buying this superb piece of land from American developers AMB was a difficult and protracted piece of work, taking almost a year to complete. But now we will have land of such perfect location and future

value (close by Pearson International Airport) on which we can happily grow for another 10 years!”

Construction will start in the Spring of 2008, with completion expected around September.



Did you know?

That Western Logistics' experiment with Royal Purple synthetic motor oil, first described in our September Newsletter "The Greening of Western Logistics," is proceeding with amazing results.

The "lab rat" is a 2000 Kenworth (see photo) with almost 1,000,000 kms on the odometer. Every 20,000 kms, we have been analyzing the oil prior to change. Last time in, this unit had 80,000 kms on old oil, but the oil tested so well that only a filter change was required; the old oil remained, awaiting service again at 100,000 kms. "I promised 1,800,000 out of this baby, and that's what I believe we will achieve," said Erick Haines, Halifax Terminal Manager. "Royal Purple is saving us money by lower fuel consumption, and every time we defer an oil change, we save 36 litres of oil for the environment. Imagine if everybody did that with every truck on the road!"



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