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PRIME INDUSTRIAL SPACE GETTING A MAKEOVER

Welland – The City of Welland has received applications for demolition permits for some of the buildings located at the John Deere site, 555 Canal Bank Street.

The applications for demolition permits are part of the on-going process John Deere is undertaking as it continues its plan to wind up operations at the Welland Works site. At this point in time, removal of buildings on the site will ultimately depend upon the needs of prospective purchasers. As various buildings are removed, John Deere will continue to perform its due diligence and commitment to remediating and improving the site.

John Deere and the City of Welland have been and continue to be in regular dialogue with respect to improving the site, and Welland Mayor, Barry Sharpe, is pleased with John Deere's commitment to those improvements. "Our discussions with John Deere have been very positive as we share the common interest in redeveloping the site so that it is an attractive location for prime industrial and manufacturing opportunities", says Mayor Sharpe. "We are hopeful that as the demolition plans proceed, the improvements to the site will be an incentive to attract new investment to our City." The official designation of the property is referred to as employment lands, which is exactly what both parties anticipate will happen at the site in the near future.

In a continued effort to keep its residents informed, the City will provide more details with respect to improvements to the site as demolition permits are issued.

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