

Rockcliffe Landing Consultant Teams Hired by CLC

Ottawa, May 1, 2006 – Canada Lands Company CLC Limited (CLC) today announced that it has hired two consultant teams in anticipation of redeveloping the 310-acre (125.9-hectare) former Canadian Forces Base (CFB) Rockliffe in downtown Ottawa, to be renamed "Rockcliffe Landing".

The first team, composed of Kuwabara Payne McKenna Blumberg Architects (KPMB), Greenberg Consultants, Phillips Farevaag Smallenberg Landscape Architects, and Barry Padolsky Architects, has been hired by CLC as primary consultants for the planning and urban design phase of the project. Bruce Kuwabara, who will be leading this team, was recently selected as the recipient of the 2006 Royal Architectural Institute of Canada (RAIC) Gold Medal in recognition of his significant contribution to Canadian architecture.

"We want Rockcliffe Landing to be a showcase community for 21st century urban life and are thrilled to have been able to attract a team with such talent and experience to help us deliver" said Jim Lynes, Acting CLC President and CEO. "What exact form the redeveloped community takes will depend on a variety of factors, including the results of extensive consultations with local residents and community stakeholders, and the imagination of the involved urban planners, architects, developers and homebuilders."

KPMB was selected by RAIC as firm of the year in 2005 and is the recipient of nine Governor General's awards for architecture. Ken Greenberg is one of Canada's leading experts in urban design and has worked on the Regent Park master plan in Toronto, the East River Lower Manhattan Plan, and the "Big Dig" in Boston, among many other major urban plans. Greg Smallenberg is one of Canada's most prominent landscape architects and did CLC's landscape plan for its Glenlyon Business Park in Burnaby, B.C., along with several federal projects in Ottawa.

CLC's second consultant team, Commvesco Levinson Viner (CLV), has been hired by CLC to manage the 469 housing units at Rockcliffe Landing upon title of the property being transferred to CLC (currently anticipated for June). CLV is a local property management company which won out in the recent competitive selection process due to its experience in the effective marketing and management of residential housing and its community building and property redevelopment skills.

Cohen and Cohen, a reputable local demolition firm, has furthermore been contracted by CLC to remove 3.1 miles (5 kms) of buried steam lines running throughout the Rockcliffe Landing property.

CLC is an arms-length federal Crown corporation reactivated in 1995 to optimize the financial and community value obtained from properties no longer required by the Government of Canada. The company is self-financing, pays applicable taxes at all levels of government, and implements innovative property solutions to enhance the quality of life in communities where it operates. Since its inception, the company has distributed hundreds of millions of dollars to the government as dividends, cash acquisitions and payments for properties.

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