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State agrees to sell parcel of land at Mill Creek

Project backers hope to build major distribution center in mid-2010

Salem—The Oregon Department of Administrative Services (DAS) and Industrial Developments International (IDI) have reached agreement on the sale of Phase IB, Lot 1 of the Mill Creek Corporate Center in Salem, Oregon. DAS will release the terms of the deal after close of escrow in mid-December.

IDI intends to build a 465,000-square-foot distribution center on the property for an undisclosed tenant. The tenant expects to hire 175 employees when it opens for business in mid-2010, eventually raising that number to 250.

“This sale is another milestone in making the Mill Creek property a real economic asset for the community of Salem,” said DAS Director Scott Harra. “It’s also a good thing for Oregon taxpayers. The state has worked closely with the City of Salem to make the best possible use of the Mill Creek property, and I know of no better use than creating jobs.”

DAS has approved an early access agreement so IDI may begin site work as soon as Wednesday, December 2, 2009. IDI’s first project is construction of a new public street that extends northeast from Aumsville Highway, beginning west of the Marion County Dog Shelter and terminating at the 52.6-acre Lot 1, at the northeastern tip of the Phase IB parcel. When complete, DAS will dedicate this public street to the City of Salem, Harra said.

State Senator Jackie Winters (R-Salem) called the sale a big step toward job creation. “This is a fantastic Christmas gift for Salem,” Winters said. “Creating jobs is my number one priority, and this is a big step in that direction. With co-operation and teamwork like this, we can accomplish great things for our city. It is thanks to the support we were able to secure in the Legislature and the hard work of people at both the city and state that these new jobs are being created. I look forward to more collaboration and positive results in the future.”

Salem Mayor Janet Taylor also lauded the progress of developing the Mill Creek Corporate Center. “Salem is so pleased to have been an active partner in recruiting a new, nationally-based warehouse distribution facility to the Mill Creek Corporate Center,” Taylor said. “Over many years, we have invested in new infrastructure and worked with other economic development partners to position hundreds of acres of land for industrial

development. This new development continues our commitment to attract new family-wage jobs and provide expansion opportunities for current employers.”

Following the sale of Lot 1, two lots totaling approximately 90 acres (after required public street dedications) will remain available for purchase in Phase IB. DAS will continue to market these lots, which may be purchased separately or for use as a single parcel.

Mill Creek Corporate Center is a 650-acre property that encompasses approximately 515 acres of developable land. In 2001, the legislature approved sale of this property for fair market value or greater.

Phase IB is a 146.1-acre parcel bounded by Santiam Highway (Highway 22), Cordon Road/Kuebler Boulevard, and Aumsville Highway. Its neighbors to the east include the Marion County Dog Shelter and the Oregon Public Safety Academy.