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**Sika Canada's new plant in British Columbia is now opened
Sika's Mortars and Concrete Admixtures production in BC has begun**

Pointe-Claire (Québec) – Sika Canada has officially inaugurated its new mortars and concrete admixtures plant in British Columbia. Located in Surrey, near Vancouver, the new facility of approximately 30,000 ft² (2,800 m²) is now fully operational. This new plant represents Sika's footprint in the heart of the Pacific Northwest, a region with a population basin of 8 million people, on both sides of the border, and consequently with significant growth potential.

The plant is based upon Sika's lean and efficient manufacturing concept which includes a modular mortar plant and liquid concrete admixture blending equipment, all under one roof. In addition to the production area, the new building also includes two laboratories for quality control purposes, an integrated warehouse and an office space for administrative and sales personnel. It is also important to note that the plant meets local environmental regulations concerning air quality, noise management and the handling of light chemical materials.

For customers in the region, this "Made in BC" approach is very beneficial since it improves product availability, reduces significantly lead times and allows for faster deliveries. This highly automated plant produces a broad range of cementitious mortars and grouts. On the concrete admixtures side, the state of the art blending equipment enables the production of liquid admixtures such as high-range water-reducers, water-reducers, air-entrainers, set-retarders and set-accelerators.

By producing in British Columbia, Sika can significantly reduce shipments of admixtures and mortars from the Edmonton and Montreal plants. It also diminishes the environmental impact by drastically reducing the number of

shipments by truck and rail. In addition, raw materials are sourced locally, as much as possible, further reducing shipment distances.

This new facility brings the number of Sika's production sites to 18 in North America and, with the addition of the Surrey site, Sika Canada can now rely on four (4) manufacturing plants across Canada in order to get closer to its customers and to be able to provide them with unmatched level of service.

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Profile of Sika Canada Inc.

Sika Canada Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Sika AG, located in Baar, Switzerland. Sika is a globally active specialty chemicals company supplying the building and construction industries as well as manufacturing sector (automotive, bus, truck, rail, building and alternative energies components, etc.). Sika's portfolio notably includes high-quality concrete admixtures, specialty mortars/concrete, sealants and adhesives, waterproofing solutions, structural strengthening systems, industrial flooring, protective and decorative coatings, as well as roofing systems. Sika is a leader in processing materials used in sealing, bonding, damping, reinforcing and protecting load-bearing structures. Relying on a presence in 93 countries and on a workforce of over 17,000 employees deployed in over 170 production facilities worldwide, Sika generated annual sales exceeding CHF 5.49 billion in 2015.

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