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## **TIM-BR MART GROUP CONSOLIDATES VICTORIAVILLE AND RIVIÈRE-DU-LOUP FACILITIES INTO LONDON AND ST. NICOLAS**

BROSSARD, QC, November 26, 2014 – TIM-BR MART Group (TIM-BR MART) announced today that it will close its distribution centres in Victoriaville and Rivière-du-Loup, Quebec and consolidate the distribution centres' inventory and services into the Group's London, Ontario and St. Nicolas, Quebec facilities. The consolidation will take approximately four months to complete and result in increased operational efficiencies and cost reductions for Chalifour Canada, TIM-BR MART Group's hardware and building material distributor.

"This decision is based on an in-depth review of our company's operations, the study of distribution best practices, and our desire to provide our members with superior customer service and offerings," says Bernie Owens, President of the TIM-BR MART Group. "I've listened to our members over the past year and we are making the difficult decisions to better our business for the long term. This new operational footprint will provide a business model that will meet and exceed our customers' needs now and in the future."

The consolidation will affect 120 Chalifour employees who will be supported by an Employee Assistance Program (EAP) throughout the duration of the closures.

### **About TIM-BR MART Group**

In operation since 1967, the TIM-BR MART Group is Canada's buying group of choice for independents. It is a member-owned organization serving building material and hardware retailers, commercial dealers and manufacturers. TIM-BR MART Group exists to help Canadian entrepreneurs involved in the sale of building materials and hardware grow profitable and sustainable businesses. For more information, visit [www.timbermart.ca](http://www.timbermart.ca).

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