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## GVA Lighting's Global Growth Propels Expansion to New 'Showcase' Location

Mississauga, Ont.: As it celebrates its 20th anniversary, GVA Lighting announces a new expansion that will help meet its longestablished goal of creating landmark architectural lighting projects worldwide.



Founder and President, Vladimir Grigorik, announced on June 1, 2017 that GVA will be expanding from its current Mississauga plant to a new headquarters in nearby Oakville, Ontario. The new 110,000sq.ft. plant will enable GVA to quadruple production for supply of its innovative lighting technologies to some of the world's biggest structures and new construction projects.

"Our goal is to build a perfect, world-class engineering, production and office facility that is suitable for GVA's next 10 years," says Grigorik.

"It's normal for a business to say, 'We're excited about this leap forward.' But in this case, our clients are just as excited. GVA has been participating in more and more sizeable projects that have tested our maximum production capacity, so architects, builders and lighting designers are delighted that we will be in a better position to serve projects of any size."

"As our clients continue to innovate with new lighting designs that push the boundaries, we will soon be announcing new contracts and technologies that will truly advance the art and science of architectural lighting," says Grigorik.

After eight years in its current Mississauga location, GVA Lighting expects to move into its new headquarters, in eastern Oakville, beside Highway 403, by the end of this year.

According to Grigorik, the new facility offers GVA many new and exciting opportunities:

- As the business grows, the new space will allow the GVA team to double in size, to more than 200 people.
- The additional production space will allow GVA to undertake bigger, more complex projects. GVA will add a new bestin-class SMT production lines, allowing for increased capacity and extensive built-in quality and testing equipment. By keeping all its production in-house, GVA ensures short lead times, lower costs, and end-to-end quality control.
- We will expand our engineering capabilities by adding the latest environmental and performance test equipment for our growing reliability and test engineering departments.
- The renovated building will offer more space for offices, meeting rooms and upgraded employee facilities including a climate-controlled production floor. "When people spend eight hours a day with you, you want them to be more than comfortable, you want them to feel at home," says Grigorik. "We want to create a work environment that lets them flourish."

GVA's new offices will include a large scale showroom to demonstrate its lighting products and technologies in a unique way. "But in a sense," says Grigorik, "the whole building – inside and out – will be a showcase. Visitors will see our products on display within the interior of the office as well as on the exterior fasade. GVA's vision is 'To Create New Beauty for our Home Planet.' Finally, we get to do that for our own neighborhood."

## About GVA Lighting:

GVA Lighting, Inc. is a Canadian company that specializes in the design and manufacturing of specification grade architectural lighting systems for exterior and interior illumination of large infrastructure projects like skyscrapers, bridges, airports, and shopping malls. GVA is among the top innovative lighting companies in the world. We built this reputation through our consistent offering of unique and effective engineering solutions for challenging lighting applications. GVA Lighting is most known for its INFINITY<sup>®</sup>, COLOR-AMP<sup>®</sup> and UNIBODY<sup>™</sup> technologies.

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