

July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010

Mayor Mandel and City Council Members  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, City Hall  
1 Sir Winston Churchill Square  
Edmonton, AB T5J 2R7

**Re: Edmonton Area District**

Dear Mayor Mandel and City Council Members:

Waiward Steel Fabricators and Supreme Group are both large Edmonton-area employers with a great deal of history in our community. In our opinion, the proposed Edmonton Arena District will be an important element to a revitalized downtown core. As employers of nearly 1,500 individuals, we fully support the development of this significant project.

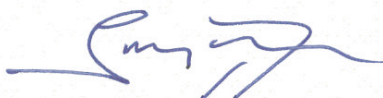
Over the past 40 years, both Waiward Steel Fabricators and Supreme Group have been proud contributors to the local community. Through our corporate entities, local suppliers and employees we continue to support the growth and improvement of the Capital Region in many ways including: corporate and personal taxes, monetary and in-kind donations, in addition to time and knowledge contributions to local charities, educational institutions, and professional and technical societies.

The employees of Waiward and Supreme have dedicated their efforts to productivity, quality workmanship, safety, for the benefit of required infrastructure and social needs. Our valued workers are proud to be associated with local landmarks including Edmonton City Hall, University of Alberta, Telus Field, Rexall Place, West Edmonton Mall, Anthony Henday Drive and most recently the Terminal Expansion and Control Tower at the Edmonton International Airport.

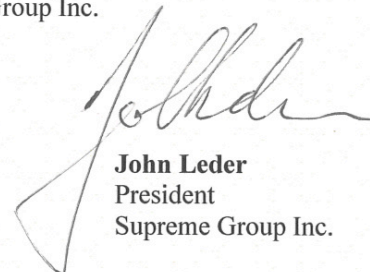
We believe having a world-class facility to attract events and support the Edmonton Oilers is vital to the future growth of our city. As we look to the future and continue to move forward from a resource-based economy, this will become increasingly evident. The proposed Edmonton Arena District would be a great platform for the city, as well as many other local businesses, to attract and secure future development opportunities and dollars.

We identify the importance that this project could have on the local economy and trust that City Council recognizes the importance of including local business in its development. Therefore, our support of this important venture is contingent upon preference being granted to local companies which have the capacity, experience, knowledge and people to ensure that this project is a success.

Sincerely, and on behalf of Waiward Steel Fabricators Ltd. and Supreme Group Inc.



**Terry Degner, B.Comm.**  
President  
Waiward Steel Fabricators Ltd.



**John Leder**  
President  
Supreme Group Inc.