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Taurus Property Group Inc. (403/206-2130) has been retained by Matthews Development (Alberta) Inc. to provide consulting services for the design and merchandising of the retail component of The Bow, a 2.0 Million square foot office and retail complex in the heart of downtown Calgary.

Matthews Development, a subsidiary of Matthews Southwest of Toronto and Dallas, is the lead project developer, managing site acquisition, architectural design, City of Calgary permits, and development planning strategy. Foster + Partners of London, England is the signature architect and Zeidler Partnership of Calgary is the project architect. Jeremy Sturgess of Calgary's Sturgess Architecture is responsible for master planning of the streetscape and urban design.

The north block of the project will be developed with a 58-storey office tower containing approximately 1.84 million square feet of class AAA office space, approximately 20,000 square feet of retail space and a 700-vehicle below grade parking garage. The striking architecture of the steel and glass, crescent-shaped, office tower will include a 24-storey interior atrium, designed to provide spectacular mountain views, an abundance of natural light and three "sky-gardens" that will provide the tower's occupants with unique meeting and amenity space. The Bow will be developed with best in class materials and state of the art technology which is expected to result in energy usage of approximately 30% below conventional office towers. Construction of the project has commenced.



The south block of the Project will be a multi-level, mixed-use building containing approximately 100,000 square feet of high-quality retail space, and up to 100,000 square feet of additional office and cultural arts space, as well as up to an additional 700 vehicle below grade parking garage. This facility will feature first class retailers and cultural users and will be designed with a quality and finish substantially equivalent to The Bow, so as to create a fully integrated world class mixed-use development.

The project is located on a high profile site comprising the better part of two city blocks in downtown Calgary, situated between 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Avenues and between Centre and 1<sup>st</sup> Streets S.E. The new complex will feature multiple connections to the existing, 10-mile, "Plus 15" pedestrian walkway system - a series of 57 enclosed bridges situated at approximately 15 feet above street level that connect a majority of the buildings in Calgary's downtown core. Several Plus 15 connections will ensure that The Bow will enjoy unparalleled access and complete integration into Calgary's vibrant downtown core.