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Promoting Local Business with Chinook Power Station

On January 30th, the City of Swift Current was pleased to have been able to host a meeting with representatives of Priority Saskatchewan, SaskPower and Burns & McDonnell to discuss collective efforts to promote local and provincial suppliers of goods and services for the construction of the \$680 million Chinook Power Station.

“This project will be a tremendous boost to our already strengthening economy,” stated City of Swift Current Mayor Denis Perrault. “In order for our business community to take advantage of opportunities to participate in this project, it is important that there is a consistent flow of information and support wherever possible.”

Priority Saskatchewan representatives attended the meeting and outlined their mandate to facilitate open dialogue between business and government with a goal of ensuring Saskatchewan businesses are treated fairly and that procurements are open, accessible, and transparent.

The procurement, design and construction of the facility will be managed by Burns & McDonnell, an engineering, procurement and construction firm. With up to 500 jobs during the construction process and an estimated 24 workers to run the facility going forward, Burns & McDonnell indicated that they, too, are committed to using as many local suppliers of goods and services as possible.

“The construction of the project has begun with the clearing and grubbing component. Given a completion date in 2019, there will certainly be opportunities for businesses from Swift Current and region to take advantage of,” continued Mayor Perrault.

“To become a potential supplier for Burns & McDonnell, we really encourage businesses to go to the SaskPower website and click the Chinook Power Station link to gain an understanding of the timeline, as well as how to get on the supplier list. If there are any questions or comments, our Director or Community Development, Marty Salberg, is available to assist in any manner possible.”

It is anticipated that another SaskPower Supplier Open House to provide updates and opportunities will take place in April. The City, in partnership with SaskPower and the Swift Current and District Chamber of Commerce, will ensure advance notice of this meeting is provided to the business community.

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