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McLane Advanced Technologies / McLane Group announce plans to expand Temple Campus with LEED-Certified Building

Temple, TX – McLane Advanced Technologies (MAT) plans to bring new jobs to the Central Texas area over the next two and a half years with the construction of a three-story, 62,000 square foot office with capacity to hold approximately 300 employees. The new building will connect to MAT's current 32,000 square foot headquarters in the Central Pointe Business Park located at the intersection of Loop 363 and Central Pointe Parkway in Temple, Texas. MAT is selecting a local contractor and is set to break ground in the next few months, with completion scheduled for Fall 2010.

"We are very excited about helping to expand the Temple-area economy," said Drayton McLane, Jr., owner of McLane Group and MAT. "We hope that companies looking for a new facility location will take a closer look at what Temple has to offer. This new building is an additional step in establishing Temple as a vital corridor for businesses in all industries."

The new building will be the first Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Certified commercial building in Bell County. LEED, a standard framework developed by the United States Green Building Council, provides third-party verification that a building or community is designed and built using strategies aimed at improving performance in energy savings, water efficiency, CO2 emissions reduction, improved indoor environmental quality, and stewardship of resources and sensitivity to their impacts. Building on the burgeoning global push to "go green" McLane states, "With the leadership of local architect, Larry Neal, we took a very in-depth and careful approach to the design of this new building in order to make it as safe for the environment as possible. Hopefully, this will establish a standard to which all future buildings in the region will aspire."

Addressing rapid growth and the necessity for efficient operations, the new building will contain office space for several hundred employees, an underground, storm-protected data center, and a software test lab. "As MAT continues to grow the business within the commercial, military, and government space and add employees, we continue to run out of physical space," revealed MAT CEO Chuck Costanza. "Having everyone in one facility will create a teamwork environment and facilitate the synergies that allow us to provide continued, excellent customer service, while also providing an opportunity to get our team under one roof once again in a space that will continue to grow over time."

The Governor's Office of Economic Development played an integral role in fostering this project by granting dollars from the Texas Enterprise Fund (TEF), whose focus is to bring new business and technology to Texas, thus creating more and higher quality jobs for Texas. "Despite the current national economic downturn, Texas stands out as a leader and the best state in the nation to live, work and raise a family because of our low taxes, reasonable and predictable regulatory environment and diverse and educated workforce," Texas Governor Rick Perry said. "This TEF investment will bring 225 jobs to Temple and strengthen Texas' growing economy."

"The creation of additional, high-quality jobs with competitive salaries and that require an enhanced skill set is a real focus of the Temple Economic Development Corporation," Lee Peterson, president of the Temple Economic Development Corporation said. "The new expansion at MAT perfectly fits this goal and we are thrilled to witness McLane's continued commitment to Temple and its ongoing business growth and expansion."

About McLane Advanced Technologies

McLane Advanced Technologies, LLC provides information technology and logistics services to military, government, and commercial customers throughout the world. Established in 2004, McLane Advanced Technologies currently employs 423 professionals.

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