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R.V. Anderson Associates Limited is Awarded a Major “Stand-Alone” Water Main Replacement Program by the City of Toronto

The program includes replacement of over 80 km of water mains, as well as reconstruction of roads and replacement of sewers, over the next three years, at an estimated cost of \$130 million.

Toronto, ON (September 22, 2009) — The City of Toronto has retained R.V. Anderson Associates Limited (RVA) to provide program management, design, inspection, and contract administration services during construction for a “stand-alone” water main replacement program.

Currently in the early stages, the program has an estimated capital budget of \$130 million. It includes the replacement of approximately 80 km of water distribution mains between 100 - 600 mm in size, along with related appurtenances. In some cases, the work will include reconstructing roads and replacing sewers. The capital works will be completed through approximately 30 construction contracts.

According to Michael D’Andrea, P.Eng., Director of Water Infrastructure Management at Toronto Water, this program will expedite the renewal of the City’s aging water distribution system. The City of Toronto has nearly 6,000 km of water mains with an average age of nearly 60 years. It has one of the oldest systems in Ontario, and repairs approximately 1,500 water main breaks each year.

Toronto Water’s business plan identifies the need for a significant investment in water main renewal over the next 10 years in order to address the backlog of aging infrastructure. The City of Toronto has already taken significant steps towards securing the funding required for ongoing renewal of their distribution system. However, the City has been challenged since amalgamation to ramp up their existing renewal programs to reduce the backlog of renewal needs. Through this program, RVA will function as an extension of the City’s in-house resources.

This program is to be completed over the next three years. Construction of the works is expected to commence in the spring of 2010, with completion slated for autumn 2012. The Government of Canada has recently announced that it will provide funding through the Infrastructure Stimulus Fund for more than 500 infrastructure projects in the City of Toronto, including most of the water main projects that are scheduled for replacement in 2010 through this program.

“We are pleased to have the opportunity to work with the City of Toronto on this important infrastructure renewal program”, says Ken Morrison, P.Eng., President of R.V. Anderson Associates Limited. “A significant part of our 61-year history has been related to the design and construction of Toronto’s municipal infrastructure. This program allows us to continue with our firm’s commitment to



provide engineering services for sustainable infrastructure development, for the public sector and the citizens it serves.”

RVA has a history of successful work on infrastructure renewal projects in the City of Toronto, including numerous assignments through Standing Offers for Transportation and Water Capital Projects in the Etobicoke/York District since 2003. Over the past six years, RVA has designed over 30 projects, leading to the replacement of 30 km of water main and 8 km of sanitary sewer, as well as the reconstruction of 8 km of local roads.

About R.V. Anderson Associates Limited (www.rvanderson.com)

R.V. Anderson Associates Limited has been engaged in the provision of professional engineering, operations and management services since 1948. The organization comprises environmental and infrastructure specialists for water, wastewater, transportation, solid waste diversion, and urban development. The firm is a 2008 winner of Canada’s 50 Best Managed Companies Program.

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