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**Made in Manitoba Success Story at Protegra
Honourable Dave Chomiak points to example for other Manitoba companies**



Winnipeg, Canada - Protegra held its Global Solution Centre Open House on Tuesday, March 21st, 2006. The event was highlighted by inspiring speeches and by a local flavour to the evening's festivities.

The Protegra Global Solution Centre is a Winnipeg based business and technology delivery centre that provides solutions to organizations in Manitoba and around the world including the United States, Bermuda, Europe and Japan. The high-tech Centre has risen into the national spotlight through the past eight years.

Speeches conveyed at the Open House pointed to a made in Manitoba solution when competing on the global stage. Manitoba Minister of Energy, Science and Technology Dave Chomiak delivered the keynote:

"Protegra is exporting our products, services, and expertise to global markets, and is a great example of positive activity in a fast paced, evolving and exciting sector of the Manitoba economy.

Clearly, Protegra's philosophies are being well received both here at home, and in the international marketplace. As one of Canada's fastest growing companies two years running, Protegra is a true Manitoba success story that both government and industry can be proud of.

You are truly bringing the world to Manitoba, a world that experiences what its like to work with some of the best that Manitoba has to offer."

According to Protegra CEO Wadood Ibrahim, success realized by the Global Solution Centre is evidence that Manitoba companies can complete on the global stage.

"If I could leave you with one message, it is this: The Global Solution Centre is evidence that Manitoba companies can exceed expectations right here at home - we can compete on the global stage. Protegra's success is evidence of a new paradigm that enables companies to deliver services from anywhere in the world, and it is our hope that we are an inspiration to other Manitoba companies looking to grow."

Minister of Industry, Economic Development, and Mines Jim Rondeau was also in attendance.

In addition, Tim Scatliff, Chief information Officer of Global Portfolio Advisors, shared words.

Following the evening's speeches, guests toured the facility before relaxing to enjoy an evening of local flavour including beverages provided by Fort Garry Brewery, live jazz by Winnipeg's "Janine", and tasty appetizers courtesy of Calabria Deli.

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