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## **VMAC hosts Governments of Canada & British Columbia for signing of job training deal**

**Nanaimo, BC., June 24, 2015** - VMAC Global Technology Inc. congratulates the Honourable Pierre Poilievre, Minister of Employment and Social Development and the Honourable Michelle Stilwell, Minister of Social Development and Social Innovation (British Columbia) on the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) directing officials to finalize a deal that will pave the way towards retooling an existing federal-provincial job training deal.

Under the retooled deal employers have the opportunity to provide greater input on the training opportunities they require, an accountability framework will be implemented to ensure Employment Insurance (EI) premium payers will get maximum value for the premiums they pay and training will be better aligned with job opportunities for the unemployed.

During the signing event hosted at the VMAC facility in Nanaimo, Minister Poilievre and the Honorable Shirley Bond, Minister of Jobs, Tourism and Skills Training and Minister Responsible for Labour (British Columbia) announced approximately 6,800 British Columbia workers are receiving training and over 1,400 employers have been approved for funding for employee training through the Canada Job Grant.

VMAC is a recent recipient of funding through the Canada Job Grant for the training of 23 employees in the areas of sales, manufacturing, leadership development and supply chain technology.

"VMAC is very aware of the importance of investing in the training and education of our team members and their skill sets in order to grow our position within the manufacturing industry." says Jim Hogan, President of VMAC Global Technology Inc. "The Canada Job Grant has provided us with the opportunity to continually invest in our employees, resulting in a highly skilled and knowledgeable team while also giving us a competitive advantage within a global capacity."



Honourable Ministers Poilievre, Bond and Stilwell and some of the VMAC team at the VMAC Global Technology Inc. facility in Nanaimo.

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## About VMAC

VMAC engineers and manufactures compact, powerful compressed air solutions for clients in the mobile-mechanic, tire service, utilities, mining and gas, and construction industries. Beginning almost 30 years ago with a contract to design a jet engine for the Canadian military VMAC has grown into the world-wide leader in manufacturing UNDERHOOD air compressor systems. These award-winning systems use less space, are light-weight and powerful. VMAC is one of only a few companies in North America that completely manufactures its own rotary screw compressors, and also designs custom solutions for multi-national OEM clients. VMAC has won multiple awards including 75 Best Workplaces in Canada and the B.C. Exporter of the Year award.