



EASTERN CONSTRUCTION NAMES DEAN WALKER AS PRESIDENT

Toronto, Ontario (January 2, 2024) – Eastern Construction, a privately-held General Contractor, is pleased to announce Dean Walker will assume the role of President, effective January 1, 2024.

Dean Walker, with Eastern Construction since 2005, takes on the role of President. **Bryan Arnold** continues in the role of Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board, marking the realization of the 2019 Leadership Succession Plan at Eastern Construction. Mr. Walker is the sixth person to hold the office of President since 1951 when the company first initiated operations.

Dean Walker joined Eastern Construction in 2005 starting off as a Project Coordinator and over the course of his career, transitioned to Superintendent, Assistant Project Manager, Project Manager, and Project Director. Mr. Walker joined the Senior Management Team in 2018 and was named Executive Vice President in 2021 where he participated in business development, bidding and proposals, human resources, operations, procurement, and finance.

During his tenure with Eastern Construction, Dean embodied Eastern's core values of professionalism, integrity, and fairness. Dean has managed some of Eastern's most interesting and challenging assignments; in all cases, Dean's primary concern was the safety of Eastern's people, subtrade partners, and the general public. Both on-site and at head-office, Dean employs a collaborative management style where his colleagues become highly engaged participants in the process. Dean is a natural team-builder and quickly fosters confidence among peers. Acting as a resource, Dean takes the time to educate and support his colleagues and applies the same level of professionalism dealing with designers and trade contractors. Superior communication, teamwork, and leadership have positioned Dean to take on role of President at Eastern Construction.

All members of the Senior Management Team continue in their current capacity

Bryan Arnold, Chief Executive Officer
Dean Walker, President
Steve Gray, Vice President Operations
Martin Kibble, Vice President Finance
Renato Tacconelli, Vice President
Jim Broomfield, Vice President
Michael Suljak, Vice President Strategic Development
Andy Pabla, Vice President Risk Management
Heather Anne Popovich, Director Operations
Adam McFarland, Chief Estimator