



# GARNEAU INC.

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## GARNEAU INC. ANNOUNCES REQUEST FOR PAYMENT BY ITS PRINCIPAL LENDER

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**Nisku, Alberta, - Garneau Inc.** ("Garneau") announces that its principal lender, HSBC Bank Canada Inc. ("HSBC"), has made a request for re-payment by the close of business on March 12, 2009 of approximately \$12 million under Garneau's credit facility.

The Garneau Board of Directors is conducting a strategic review of Garneau's alternatives in the face of HSBC's request and will issue further announcements regarding the status of its affairs with HSBC and its stakeholders in due course.

### **About Garneau Inc.**

*Garneau Inc's primary business is the application of high performance protective coating and linings for oil and gas pipeline protection. Additionally, the Corporation designs and fabricates oilfield equipment for both domestic and international markets. With over 30 years of operating experience, Garneau Inc. has developed a significant level of expertise and is well known for innovative technology. The Corporation's website can be accessed at [www.garneau-inc.com](http://www.garneau-inc.com).*

### **Forward-Looking Information**

Certain information in this press release contains forward-looking statements. These statements relate to future events or our future performance. All statements other than statements of historical fact may be forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are often, but not always, identified by the use of words such as "seek", "anticipate", "plan", "continue", "estimate", "expect", "may", "will", "project", "predict", "potential", "targeting", "intend", "could", "might", "should", "believe", "would" and similar expressions. These statements involve substantial known and unknown risks and uncertainties, certain of which are beyond Garneau's control, including: the impact of general economic conditions; industry conditions; changes in laws and regulations including the adoption of new environmental laws and regulations and changes in how they are interpreted and enforced; fluctuations in commodity prices and foreign exchange and interest rates; stock market volatility and market valuations; volatility in market prices for oil and natural gas; liabilities inherent in oil and natural gas service operations; product demand and market acceptance; the impact of competitive products and pricing; technological advancements; competition for, among other things, capital, work orders and skilled personnel; incorrect assessments of the value of acquisitions; changes in income tax laws or changes in tax laws and incentive programs relating to the oil and gas industry; technical and processing problems and other difficulties in producing products for the petroleum exploration and production industry; and obtaining required approvals of regulatory authorities. Garneau's actual results, performance or achievement could differ materially from those expressed in, or implied by, such forward-looking

statements and, accordingly, no assurances can be given that any of the events anticipated by the forward-looking statements will transpire or occur or, if any of them do, what benefits that Garneau will derive from them. Except as required by law, Garneau undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements. For Risk Factors in respect of Garneau, please refer to our Annual Information Form at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

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