

# **GLASS CANADA, GRANT METAL SHOWCASES PLANT EXPANSION AT GLASSCAN '01 JUNE, 2001**

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Calgary based Grant Metal Products will introduce a new branded image at GlassCan'01. The company is introducing the new brand package as part of a celebration reflecting the significant growth Grant has experienced during the past five years. The event is also being used to showcase a major plant expansion by offering scheduled tours and a reception.

Grant has become the supplier of choice for a growing list of recognized glass industry suppliers and contractors who require high quality, consistent, precision produced sheet metal components. Its solid reputation is based on the ability to respond to challenging requirements, budgets, and production time-lines without compromising its commitment to excellence.

In 1998, Grant built a free standing facility in a newly developed industrial park which increased its production floor space to more than 14,500 sq. ft. A further addition, scheduled for completion this summer, will further increase the space to more than 23,400 sq. ft. The new addition will provide space for additional equipment, storage and project management. Growth has been achieved through increasing internal capacity and through forming strategic alliance partnerships with service providers who share a common vision for the future of the industry.

"We can mobilize a wide range of expertise to accommodate the most demanding metal fabrication requirements," says General Manager John Reitmeier. "From shearing, punching, notching and bending, to welding and assembly, we are committed to completing each job with accuracy and precision."

Grant fabricates pre-formed anodized and painted brakeshapes up to 12 ft. long, galvanized insulated backspans for curtainwall systems, fascia panels and spandrel panels, steel reinforcing channels for vinyl window sections, and framing components for all types including angles, channels and Z bars. AutoCad capability means production drawings can be created in-house.

Quick turn-around production schedules demand an ample supply of metals commonly used in the glass industry. Grant carries a wide range of anodized, painted or bare aluminum in a variety of colours and gauges. Specialty metals like copper, brass, stainless steel, checker plate and galvanized iron are also carried.

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Grant Metal Products manufactures precision-made sheet metal components. Services include shearing, punching, notching, bending, welding, and assembly. The company is located in Calgary, Alberta and can be reached at 1-800-672-6088 or (403) 590-8000.

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