

## Press Release

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### **Hexagon acquires minority stake in North West Geomatics Ltd.**

Hexagon AB, the leading global provider of design, measurement and visualization technologies, announced today that it will acquire 10 per cent of the shares in North West Geomatics Ltd.

North West Geomatics Ltd., also known as North West Group (North West), is a leading aerial data acquisition company dedicated to providing high quality aerial mapping and related spatial data services to engineering and mapping firms, environmental consulting organizations, and government agencies. Besides housing the single largest library of high resolution imagery and LiDAR (Light Detection and Ranging) data in Canada, North West participates in large scale aerial data collection projects throughout the US and across the globe.

"Following a similar investment earlier this year in Blom, a leading European company in the same markets, this alliance further underscores our commitment to redefine the geospatial eco-system and provide new dimension to the industry overall", said Ola Rollén, President and CEO of Hexagon AB. "Already a longstanding partner of Leica Geosystems and Intergraph, the expanded alliance with North West undoubtedly strengthens the utility and relevance of our current offerings and our continued ability to meet the ever-increasing needs of our geospatial customer base with industry-leading solutions."

"North West looks forward to continuing our long standing relationship with Hexagon Geosystems and assisting them in building their geospatial customer base" said Fred Welter, North West President and CEO.

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