MATERIAL CHANGE REPORT

1. **Reporting Issuer**

   Vicwest Corporation
   129 South Service Road
   Oakville, Ontario
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2. **Date of Material Change**

   April 6, 2005

3. **Publication of Material Changes**

   A press release was issued on April 6, 2005 through Canada Newswire.

4. **Summary of Material Changes**

   On April 6, 2005, the Board of Directors of Vicwest Corporation ("Vicwest" or the "Company") announced the appointment of Mr. Robert Skull to the position of President & Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Skull replaces Mr. Tony Molluso, who has successfully completed a turnaround mandate which commenced in September, 2003. This appointment becomes effective April 11, 2005, and appropriate transition arrangements have been made with Mr. Molluso who will continue to be available to the Company over the short term.

5. **Full Description of Material Change**

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   Mr. Skull is currently President of Westeel Limited (“Westeel”), a wholly owned subsidiary of Vicwest. Based in Winnipeg, Westeel manufactures steel products for the storage of bulk commodities including grain, fertilizers and petroleum in Canada. Over the past eight years, Mr. Skull’s leadership at Westeel has led to expanded domestic market share, a move into international markets for its grain storage products, continuous improvement in its operations through the introduction of lean manufacturing processes and a dramatic improvement in its health and safety performance.

   Peter Gordon, Chairman of the Board of Vicwest commented, “On behalf of our shareholders, the Board would like to extend its appreciation to Tony Molluso for leading the Company over the past 18 months culminating in a record year for earnings and cash flow in 2004 and positioning the Company well for the future. The Board wishes Tony all the best with his future turnaround endeavours. We are obviously also pleased to appoint as our new President & CEO, an executive from our existing team who has the necessary complement of skills and experience to lead

Vicwest to the next level. Bob Skull has a proven track record of success at Westeel and understands Vicwest extremely well given his 18 year career at the Company".

6. **Confidentiality of Information**

This report is not being filed on a confidential basis.

7. **Omitted Information**

Not applicable.

8. **Senior Officer**

Inquiries in respect of the material change referred to herein may be made to:

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9. **Date of Report**

April 13, 2005