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Onex Corporation to acquire Husky Injection Molding Systems Ltd.

Husky Injection Molding Systems Ltd. and Onex Corporation have entered into a support agreement whereby Onex will offer to acquire all of the issued and outstanding common shares of Husky at a price of \$8.18 cash per common share.

The total equity value of the transaction is approximately \$960 million.

The \$8.18 per share cash consideration represents a 38.6% premium over the closing price of the common shares on the Toronto Stock

Exchange March 7, the last trading day prior to the announcement by Husky of the strategic review process. Husky's stock closed trading Sept. 27, at \$7.58.

The transaction will be carried out by way of a statutory plan of arrangement that is subject to court, shareholder and normal regulatory approvals. Husky expects to hold a meeting of shareholders to consider the proposal on or about Thursday, Dec. 6 and if approved, to complete the sale by mid-December.

Robert Schad, Husky's controlling shareholder, and his spouse, Elizabeth Schad, have entered into an exclusive and irrevocable voting agreement which provides that they will vote 47,705,670 common shares owned by them in favor of the arrangement. They have also agreed to vote an additional 3,971,713 shares controlled by them in favor of the arrangement. In total, this represents 44.08% of the issued and outstanding common shares of Husky.

The board of directors of Husky has unanimously recommended that shareholders accept the offer. Husky, with assistance from its financial advisor, Citi, conducted an extensive strategic review process involving bids received from numerous interested strategic and financial investors.

"When we began this process six months ago, my

primary concern was to ensure that my stake in Husky would go to the right owner. Having concluded the review process, I am convinced that Onex is the right long-term home for Husky," said Robert Schad, chairman of the board of directors and founder of Husky. "They have shown a solid appreciation of Husky's strategy and strengths, and bring expertise in a number of areas that will help take the company to the next level."

"Husky's management team is excited about partnering with Onex to execute our strategic plan and continue to grow the business," said John Galt, president and CEO of Husky. "I am confident in Husky's long-term strategic direction and look forward to working with Onex in this next phase of our growth."

"Husky is one of Canada's premier manufac-

turers and a globally recognized industry leader," said Anthony Munk, managing director, Onex Partners. "We are delighted to be partnering with Husky's management team and look forward to building on its history of product innovation and technology leadership."

Husky Injection Molding Systems Ltd. (www.husky.ca) is a leading global supplier of injection molding equipment and services to the plastics industry. The company has more than 40 service and sales offices, supporting customers in more than 100 countries. Husky's manufacturing facilities are located in Canada, the United States, Luxembourg and China.

Onex Corporation (www.Onex.com) makes private equity investments through the Onex Partners and ONCAP family of Funds. Through these Funds,

which have third-party capital as well as Onex capital, Onex generates annual management fee income from third-party capital and is entitled to a carried interest on that capital. The third-party capital under management currently has a value of approximately \$5 billion. Onex also has a Real Estate Fund. Onex's operating companies generate annual revenues of \$33 billion, have assets of \$37 billion and employ 227,000 people worldwide.



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Council keeps 1/3 allowance

Caledon council voted to keep the one-third tax-free allowance on council members' salaries.

Town treasurer Sam Jones explained council is required to pass a resolution once during its term to continue the one-third tax exemption.

Other municipalities that still keep the one-third tax-free allowance include Ajax, Aurora, Brampton, Clarington, Milton, Newmarket, Orangeville and Whitchurch-Stouffville.

Municipalities which discontinued the one-third tax-free allowance include Halton Hills, Mississauga and Peel region.

Streets closed

Caledon council recently passed a bylaw closing all of Alexander Street, Catherine Street and Stevens Street in Alton.

Council declared these streets to be surplus to the needs of the Town.

Council agreed to sell all of Catherine Street and part of Stevens Street to Youth With A Mission for \$10,700. The sale is subject to Youth With A Mission entering into an agreement with the owners of the lands on the west side of Catherine Street allowing the encroachment of a shed on those lands.

Council also reached an agreement with the owners of the lands on both the east and west sides of Alexander Street to permit the encroachment of their mutual driveway.

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