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## **Meridian Design Build Breaks Ground on 260K Spec Building in Sauk Village**

(August, 2006) – Howard Green, Executive Vice President, is pleased to announce that Meridian Design Build has been selected by DP Partners to construct a new 258,950 square foot speculative industrial facility at 21700 Mark Collins Drive in DP's LogistiCenter® at Sauk Village development.

With a scheduled completion of December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2006, foundation and utility work for the project are already underway. The single-loaded multi-tenant warehouse/distribution building is divisible to 60,000 square feet and features 32' clear heights, 50' by 50' bays, 24 truck docks, and ample trailer parking.

Meridian Design Build recently completed a 364,000 square foot expansion to DP Partners' first building within the development. Meridian Design Build has also been contracted by DP to complete additional infrastructure work within the park in conjunction with this project.

Located within the heavy industrial Calumet Expressway Corridor, the park has immediate access to IL- 394 and is within five miles of I-80/I-94. DP Partners began development of the 325-acre, master-planned, rail-served LogistiCenter at Sauk Village in March of 2005. When completed, the business park will accommodate approximately 5,000,000 square feet of high-cube distribution and manufacturing space and generate an estimated \$60,000,000 in local taxes over the next 20 years.

Robert Papineau, Project Manager, and Tim Jones, Superintendent are handling the project for Meridian Design Build. The design team for the project includes project architect, Palatine, IL-based Harris Architects Inc., and Glen Ellyn, IL-based Jacob and Hefner Associates, civil engineer for the project. The exclusive leasing agent for LogistiCenter at Sauk Village is the CB Richard Ellis brokerage team of George G. Maragos, SIOR, Senior Vice President and Scott Duerkop, Senior Associate. DP Partners' Director of Development for the Midwest Region is Dennis L. Shaw, who is responsible for the development and leasing of LogistiCenter at Sauk Village and the company's other park in the Chicago market, LogistiCenter at Rochelle.

With assets in California, Nevada, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Georgia, Indiana and Illinois, DP Partners serves more than 300 national and regional clients. The company has an ownership portfolio of nearly 22,000,000 SF throughout the country. To learn more about DP Partners, visit [www.logisticcenter.com](http://www.logisticcenter.com) or call (775) 858-8080.

Meridian Design Build offers full-service design/build and general contracting services to the manufacturing, distribution, office and commercial markets. Meridian offers a full range of construction services, including all phases of construction planning and management, from conceptual design and budgeting, through project completion. More information on Meridian Design Build can be found at [www.meridiandb.com](http://www.meridiandb.com).