

## COLONY DISPLAY BTS IS COMPLETE



Schaumburg-based **Interstate Partners** recently completed a 547,668 square foot build-to-suit and long-term lease to Colony Inc. in Elgin.

Colony, a display systems manufacturer, leased 300,868 square feet within Northwest Business Park in 2005 for the relocation and consolidation of the firm's six locations and the firm's headquarters. The recent expansion of 246,800 square feet will house Colony's millwork manufacturing plant.

The facility was completed in two phases within 24 months and features 61 docks, five trash compactor position doors and six drive-in-doors. A screened wall with a raked finish has been installed on the exterior west side of the building to reduce noise. In order to connect the original building and the expansion, air lock vestibules were added.

"Colony required the ability to consolidate their six facilities in two phases; phase one, a 300,000 square foot facility, and within 24 months phase two, a 250,000 square foot expansion. The 30-acre site was ideally suited for their immediate and long term needs," stated **Noel Liston** of **Darwin Realty & Development Corp.**

**Meridian Design/Build** was the general contractor, **Heitman Architects** provided architectural services, and civil engineers were **Cowhey Gudmundson Leder Ltd.**

The 120-acre Northwest Business Park is in the far northwest quadrant of I-90 and Randall Road, just south of Higgins Road (Route 72).