



## **Hemlock Celebrates 50th Anniversary, Announces New Technology Investment**

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BURNABY, BC, August 2, 2018 – Hemlock Printers launched its 50th anniversary celebrations last week, recognizing a half-century of growth to become one of North America’s most recognized printing organizations. Gathering with the Hemlock team at a recent BBQ event, President Richard Kouwenhoven extended appreciation to all staff, past and present, who have helped Hemlock reach this significant milestone.

Founded in 1968 by Dick Kouwenhoven, and joined soon after by his brother John, the two built the business on a foundation of integrity, craftsmanship, and technical innovation. Over five decades, Hemlock successfully navigated numerous advancements in technology with a focus on delivering added-value to customers. From its earliest days, the Hemlock “family” has been a vibrant community extending across staff, customers, suppliers, industry and numerous community organizations.

The entrepreneurial spirit and commitment to continual innovation lives on today, as described by Richard to the staff. “Our remarkable team continues to display the necessary ingredients for success. We are a collaborative and supportive community. We take pride in the results of our work and we continue to embrace new technologies. The teamwork we demonstrate each day is something we can all be very proud of.” Additional 50th anniversary plans include a Staff Family Day in September 2018, and an Open House Event in March 2019, inviting Hemlock’s customers, suppliers and community friends to visit Hemlock’s recently renovated Burnaby facility.

Also announced was the company’s most recent investment in new press technology. January 2019 will see the installation of a Heidelberg XL 106 8-colour press, equipped with UV LED technology. “This press incorporates major advancements in productivity and quality control,” says Sr. VP of Manufacturing, Jeff Taylor. “It is an exciting next step for our company, providing clients with unparalleled capabilities and our talented press crews with new opportunities for growth and career development.”

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### **About Hemlock Printers**

Hemlock Printers is one of the most recognized commercial sheet-fed printers in North America, maintaining a commitment to industry-leading technology and sustainability practices. The company operates from three manufacturing facilities in Burnaby and Richmond, BC, with sales offices in Victoria, Seattle and the San Francisco Bay Area.