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VICWEST INC.'S WESTEEL DIVISION EXPANDS MARKET
Adds Europe's Leading Grain Handling Systems to Portfolio

OAKVILLE, ONTARIO, June 13, 2011 - Vicwest Inc. (the "Company") (TSX: VIC, VIC.DB) today announced that its Westeel Storage Solutions ("Westeel") division, Canada's leader in on-farm and commercial storage products, has expanded its market with the addition of advanced elevator and conveyer grain handling systems to its offering.

These productivity enhancing tools, which are designed to move grain across multiple bin installations, will be manufactured for Westeel by Skandia Elevator AB of Arentorp, Sweden, Europe's largest manufacturer of advanced grain handling systems.

"This is an important addition to our product capabilities that enhances the value we bring to our markets, positions Westeel as an even more comprehensive one-stop supplier and adds another profitable revenue source," said Colin Osborne, President and CEO of Vicwest Inc. "By selecting Skandia Elevators to produce our systems, we combine our 10 decades of manufacturing and product development excellence with theirs, ensuring the most reliable, best-quality solution for our customers."

Skandia Elevator employs state-of-the-art manufacturing processes similar to those used by Westeel in the manufacturing of grain storage products and their advanced grain handling systems are also completely galvanized. As a result, customers can expect the same level of performance and durability they've experienced with other Westeel products.

Westeel-branded elevator and conveyer grain handling products will seamlessly integrate with Westeel's leading grain management products and are completely customizable to the needs of any farm or commercial operation.

"With today's announcement, we are now able to offer our customers complete grain handling solutions, both portable and integral, for their operations," said André Granger, Westeel's Vice President and General Manager. "This means that Westeel customers can now rely on us for just about all of their grain management needs. We believe this gives us an important competitive edge in the market."

This is the latest advancement in Vicwest's strategy to position Westeel as the world's premier supplier of agricultural and liquid storage technologies in chosen markets. In the fall of 2010, Westeel announced that it had formed a global strategic alliance with Buhler Industries Inc. that is now helping the company to expand its customer base in the United States, the world's largest agriculture market. The alliance expanded Westeel's products to include portable grain augers, grain cleaners and grain vacuums.

ABOUT VICWEST INC.

Vicwest Inc. is a leading manufacturer and distributor of building construction products, and steel containment products for agricultural grain, fertilizer and liquid storage. Through its Vicwest Building Products division, the Company fabricates and markets metal roofing, siding and other metal building

products under the trade names Vicwest, Mercury Metals, Valley Truss & Metal, RCA Metal and AWIP-Vicwest USA. The Company's Westeel Storage Solutions division manufactures storage solutions for agricultural grain and fertilizer, as well as liquid storage tanks and accessories. These products are manufactured and distributed under the trade names Westeel, Northern Steel Industries and NSI. Through a global alliance, Westeel distributes Buhler Industries-manufactured grain handling equipment in Canada under the Westeel brand while Buhler Industries markets and sells Westeel-manufactured products through its US distribution network. With approximately 1,100 dedicated employees and strategically located manufacturing facilities, the Company delivers superior quality products and excellent service to customers in chosen markets. Vicwest Inc. is a member of the S&P/TSX SmallCap Index. For more information, visit www.vicwestinc.com.

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Certain statements in this press release constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of applicable securities laws. Forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, management's beliefs, plans, estimates, and intentions, and similar statements concerning anticipated future events, results, circumstances, performance or expectations that are not historical facts. Forward-looking statements generally can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as "outlook", "objective", "may", "will", "expect", "intend", "estimate", "anticipate", "believe", "should", "plans" or "continue", or similar expressions suggesting future outcomes or events. Such forward-looking statements reflect management's current beliefs and are based on information currently available to management. Forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contemplated by such statements. Readers are encouraged to review the most recently filed Management's Discussion and Analysis and other disclosure documents filed by the Company with Canadian securities regulatory agencies and commissions. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on the Company's forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements contained herein are made as of the date of this press release and except as required by applicable law, the Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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