



**January 28 2010**

**The Alberta Barley Commission (ABC) joins the CMBTC as a member**

**WINNIPEG** - The CMBTC is pleased to announce that the Alberta Barley Commission has joined the CMBTC as a member as of January 2010. The Alberta Barley Commission works on behalf of its members - the province's 17,000 barley producers - to bring added value to barley production. As well, the Alberta Barley Commission offers its members, innovation, knowledge and information and opportunities. The CMBTC provides a conduit to ABC to serve its' members and the support of the ABC allows CMBTC to continue to support the Canadian malting barley industry. Robert McCaig, Managing Director of the CMBTC stated that "the membership of the ABC will allow us to interact more with malt barley farmers in Alberta, providing valuable information to them in helping grow the best quality malting barley as well as providing the CMBTC with insight into those issues the malting barley farmer is dealing with. We look forward to a long beneficial association with the ABC".

The CMBTC, which started in August 2000, is an independent, non-profit organization funded by members of the malting barley and malt industry. The CMBTC is the focal point for applied malting and brewing research and provides technical support to members and clients. CMBTC facilities include a state-of-the-art pilot malting plant and pilot brewery, located in the Canadian Grain Commission Building.

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