



## Hunt Midwest

### **Advanced Logistics and Fulfillment Expands in Hunt Midwest SubTropolis** Additional space will accommodate increased customer demand

KANSAS CITY, Mo – July 21, 2009 – Advanced Logistics and Fulfillment (ALF) has signed a new lease at Hunt Midwest SubTropolis, the world's largest underground business complex. The new agreement expands the fulfillment company's footprint to 129,575 s.f. from 89,440 s.f.

"Our decision to expand by more than 40,000 s.f. was driven by increased customer demand," said Karen Mathes, president of Advanced Logistics and Fulfillment. "As we enter our third year, customer volumes and expectations are requiring us to run multiple projects on multiple production lines. A further need for space was generated by the increased amount of our customers' product that we are required to store in secured areas."

Advanced Logistics and Fulfillment is a 100 percent woman-owned business specializing in the assembly of point-of-purchase displays for major retailers and warehouse clubs. ALF also services retailers requiring product fulfillment and direct store shipments. The company's work is frequently seen in Wal-Mart, Sam's Club and many other retail environments.

"We decided to stay in SubTropolis and expand here due to the low overall cost of occupancy," said Mathes. "In addition, SubTropolis' naturally green environment complements ALF's active participation in the sustainability packaging movement."

"The many benefits SubTropolis offers Advanced Logistics and Fulfillment is an important part of this expansion," said Connie Kamps, director of real estate operations at Hunt Midwest SubTropolis. "We are pleased that Advanced Logistics and Fulfillment will remain one of our tenants and we look forward to helping them continue to grow the business."

#### **About SubTropolis**

As the largest underground business complex in the world, Hunt Midwest [SubTropolis](#) sets the standard for subsurface business developments. SubTropolis was created through the mining of a 270-million-year-old limestone deposit. In the mining process, limestone is removed by the room and pillar method, leaving 25-foot square pillars that are on 65-foot centers and 40 feet apart.

The pillars' even spacing, concrete flooring and 16-foot-high, smooth ceilings have been specially engineered and carefully designed to provide an efficient layout for light manufacturing, distribution and warehouse operations. SubTropolis is completely dry, brightly lit, with miles of wide, paved streets, and all entrances are at street level. The complex has nearly 5-million square feet of leasable space.

Among the many benefits tenants enjoy are low lease rates that are 30-50 percent less than above ground facilities; low utility costs that offer 50-70 percent savings in total energy costs; and the largest foreign trade zone under one roof in the United States. SubTropolis is home to more than 50 national, international, regional and local companies.

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## **About Hunt Midwest Enterprises**

**Hunt Midwest** Enterprises, Inc. is a Kansas City, Missouri-based company comprised of two wholly-owned subsidiaries: Hunt Midwest Real Estate Development, Inc., developer of over 6,000 acres of commercial, retail, industrial and residential property, and owner/developer of SubTropolis, the world's largest underground business complex; and Hunt Midwest Mining, Inc., 50% owner of the region's largest supplier of crushed limestone, Hunt Martin Materials, L.L.C.

Hunt Midwest, a privately held company, is owned by the Lamar Hunt family. The Hunt family business is a diverse portfolio of entities involved in real estate, sports/media, energy/resources, private equity, and investments. Marquee entities include the Kansas City Chiefs, Hunt Midwest, Chicago Bulls, Pizza Hut Park, FC Dallas Soccer Club and United Center.

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