The Garneau's 2nd Consecutive Maclean's and Canadian Business PROFIT 500 Award Top 100 (#57) Across Canada's 500 Fastest-Growing Companies



Sebastien Garneau and Kristy Garneau celebrate their 2nd consecutive ranking on the PROFIT 500 in their new CRG Energy Projects offices in Kincardine, ON.

Canadian Business unveils 29th annual list of Canada's Fastest-Growing Companies

KINCARDINE, ONTARIO – (September 27, 2017) – CRG Energy and it's holding company, Garneau Group, are pleased to announce the #57 ranking in the 29th annual PROFIT 500 ranking of Canada's Fastest-Growing Companies by Canadian Business. This is the 2nd year that the company's Founders, Sebastien Garneau and Kristy Garneau, have ranked in Canada's Top 100. The company ranked #3 in the Human Resources sector.

The Garneau Group has always been the holding company but never officially branded and launched. The Garneau's are excited to have the newly rebranded Garneau Group represent the direction of its holding companies under its newly aligned business interests.

Under the strategic planning and leadership of the Garneau's, the company is experiencing significant growth across its brands. CRG Energy (Garneau Group) made the 2017 PROFIT 500

list with a five-year revenue growth of 1,291% and Revenues (2016) of \$20-\$50 million.

Garneau Group's growth continues to be propelled by its flagship company, CRG Energy Projects, a leading provider of nuclear industry contractor services nation-wide. 2017 saw growth in its companies overall. CRG Energy Projects opened new offices in Kincardine, Garneau Group acquired Mosaic IT Staffing to enhance its existing IT contractor service offerings, and a new location was added to the Little Beginnings Daycare & Learning Centres to meet the need for additional programs.

Although diverse in its capital investments, CRG Energy (Garneau Group) maintains a singular commitment to investing in opportunities that deliver on community quality of life, managed growth, profits and excellence in leadership and places to work. The Garneau Group of companies include CRG Energy Projects, specializing in nuclear contractor placement and outsourced payroll solutions; Mosaic IT Staffing, providing staff and recruitment services to the IT industry; and Little Beginnings Daycare and Learning Centres.

"Being ranked in 2016 was an honour in itself. But to have been ranked again in the PROFIT 500 for 2017 just confirms that we're on the right track with our approach to leadership, investments and community building," says Sébastien Garneau, President of CRG Energy (Garneau Group). "We want to thank our team and clients for making this possible once again."

"It is never easy to earn a spot on the PROFIT 500, but this year's applicant pool was the most competitive yet," says Deborah Aarts, PROFIT 500 Program Manager. "This year's winners demonstrate the resilience, innovation and sheer management smarts it takes to build a thriving business today. Canada—and the world—needs more entrepreneurial success stories like these."

"We're thrilled to be included for a 2nd year in a row alongside some of Canada's best and brightest companies," says Garneau. "I really believe this recognition is a testament to the hard work and ideas of our team members, as they are the driving force behind the growth and success we've managed to achieve."

Ranking Canada's Fastest-Growing Companies by five-year revenue growth, the PROFIT 500 profiles the country's most successful growth companies. A joint venture between Canada's premier business media brands, the PROFIT 500 is published in the October issue of MacLean's, Canadian Business and online at PROFITguide.com.

About CRG Energy (Garneau Group)

The CRG Energy (Garneau Group) is a collection of companies anchored by entrepreneurial passion and run by hard work. Garneau Group is an innovative capital investment firm and holding company for its multi-award winning brands within the staffing (CRG Energy and Mosaic IT) and corporate daycare (Little Beginning Daycare and Learning Centres) industries.

For more information about CRG Energy (Garneau Group) and its companies, visit garneaugroup.ca.

The 2017 rankings can be seen at <u>profitguide.com</u>.

About the PROFIT 500

For 29 years, the PROFIT 500 has been Canada's most respectable and influential ranking of entrepreneurial achievement. Developed by PROFIT and now published in *Maclean's* magazine and at CanadianBusiness.com, the PROFIT 500 ranks Canadian companies on five-year revenue growth. For more information on the ranking visit <u>PROFIT500.com</u> or CanadianBusiness.com.

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