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Menards Now Open in Quincy, Illinois

Name of project and location: 936 N 54th Street Quincy, IL (less than a mile from Lowe's (opened 2003) to the east at 6030 Broadway and Home Depot (opened 1995) to the south at 5432 Broadway.)

Type of development: Ground up

Description of project: Description of project: 162,340 sq. ft. main facility, 30,000 sq. ft. garden center, and 452 parking spaces on 16.56 acres that include two out lots available for development (1.5 acres and 1.4 acres)

Cost of project: \$5.5 Million (building only)

Developer: Jim Carlson, (715) 876-2308

Owner: Menards Inc.
4777 Menard Drive
Eau Claire WI 54703

Construction start date: June 29, 2009

Open date: March 23, 2010

General Information:

Menards is the nation's third-largest home-improvement chain behind Home Depot and Lowes, both of which are currently located in Quincy. The Quincy site is Menards' 254th store. Until now, the closest Menards stores had been in Springfield, Illinois and Burlington, Iowa. Most of the Menards stores, whose corporate headquarters are in Eau Claire, Wisconsin are in the Midwest. It is not Menards' policy to divulge the number of employees hired at its stores, but it is known to be more than 100 in Quincy. For more information, visit www.menards.com.

Located on the Mississippi River, Quincy, Illinois is the largest city within a 100-mile radius and serves as a regional hub for 600,000 people in Western Illinois, Northeast Missouri and Southeast Iowa. For more information about Quincy and Adams County, contact the Great River Economic Development Foundation at 217.223.4313 or visit www.gredf.org.