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Matt Thomas joins Avison Young's Vancouver, BC brokerage operation

Vancouver, BC— Mark Hannah, Avison Young Principal and Managing Director of the company's Vancouver office, announced today that commercial real estate broker **Matt Thomas** has joined Avison Young's Vancouver brokerage operation.

The newest member of Avison Young's growing industrial division, Thomas will continue to focus his efforts on the North Shore market.

"In order to remain at the forefront of our highly competitive industry, Avison Young recognizes the need to continually add new resources to the company," comments Hannah. "Matt is an important addition to our rapidly growing organization and we are very pleased that he has chosen to come on board as he brings to Avison Young an excellent understanding of the Metro Vancouver real estate market. Combined with his strong work ethic, energetic personality, professionalism and integrity, he will be a key component of our company's future success."

Thomas joins Avison Young from DTZ Barnicke in Vancouver where, over the past four years, he developed a strong reputation as a successful, client-focused broker. He holds a commercial real estate/marketing management degree from the British Columbia Institute of Technology (BCIT).

"Avison Young is one of Canada's preeminent brokerage firms and I am excited about becoming part of what I believe will be one of the strongest teams serving the local market," says Thomas. "The company's commitment to quality service combined with its strategic plans to build its brand across North America and expand in all facets of the commercial markets will provide me with significant growth opportunities."

Founded in 1978, **Avison Young** is Canada's largest independently-owned commercial real estate services company and the only national, Canadian-owned, principal-managed real estate brokerage firm in the country. Headquartered in Toronto, Ontario and ranked among Canada's leading national commercial real estate organizations, Avison Young is a full-service commercial real estate company comprising more than 500 real estate professionals in 12 offices across Canada and in Chicago, IL.

The company provides value-added, client-centric investment sales, leasing, advisory, management and financial services to owners and users of commercial, industrial and multi-residential real estate properties.

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