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## SIRIO DE LUCA TAKES HELM OF CONSOLTEX

**Montreal, July 24th, 2007 – CONSOLTEX INC.**, a world-class manufacturer of woven fabrics, announced that as of today Sirio De Luca succeeds to Marcel Thibault as President and CEO of the company, as Thibault decided to step down.

*“After many great years at Consoltex, it is time to complete a transition plan that I envisioned and fostered for the past two years. Sirio and I have worked together to successfully guide the daily operations of Consoltex and I believe that he and Consoltex are now ready to complete the transition to his overall leadership of the company”* said Thibault.



As background, Sirio has more than 20 years of strategic, operational and general management experience with leading North American-based global textile corporations. In June 2005, he joined Consoltex Inc. and was appointed President of the Outerwear Division. In May 2006, Sirio became President of the company’s Commercial Operations.

Furthermore, De Luca has a keen interest in representing the needs of the Canadian Textile Industry and further developing the relationships between governments and the private sector. Effectively, Sirio has served as a member of the Sectoral Advisory Group on International Trade representing the textile industry. He is Past Vice-Chairman of the Canadian Textiles Institute.

A native of Montreal, Quebec, De Luca graduated from McGill University with a Bachelor of Commerce degree.

### **About Consoltex Inc.**

Consoltex Inc. is a vertically integrated specialty textile company producing fabrics for a wide variety of markets including, military, personal protection, performance outerwear, home fashions and many others. Consoltex fabrics are available in a wide range of blends, weaves, colors, coatings, finishes and performance levels. More information about Consoltex is available at [www.consoltex.com](http://www.consoltex.com).

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