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Delta Genomics Centre Spin-Out from the University of Alberta Business Incubation Program

Edmonton, AB., 13 Nov. 2014 – Delta Genomics Centre, a full-service DNA facility specializing in livestock has officially spun-out of the University of Alberta’s business incubation program to become a fee-for-service non-profit organization dedicated to making a difference in the livestock industry.

Delta Genomics provides Canadian livestock producers and research organizations with comprehensive genetic testing for improving selection decisions and increasing the rate of genetic gain. For on-farm decisions, genomic profiling of livestock is quickly becoming the edge necessary to ensure a competitive industry. As more targeted testing becomes available for livestock selection Delta Genomics is working to ensure these technologies are available for all producers to use in their decision making, at the lowest cost possible.

Delta Genomics Centre is a ‘made in Alberta’ innovation, research, and industry success story. Over the past 4 years they have received support from federal, provincial, and municipal governments, research organizations, and from the livestock industry.

“Our Government understands that a competitive private sector is critical to our country’s economic success,” said the Honourable Laurie Hawn, Member of Parliament for Edmonton Centre, on behalf of the Honourable Michelle Rempel, Minister of State for Western Economic Diversification. “Today’s company launch reflects our commitment to ensuring companies have access to necessary resources to take their ideas to the next level and bring new products to market.”

As an advanced operation, Delta Genomics provides industry and researchers with specialized resources for the advancement of genomic technology adoption and employs high-resolution DNA genotyping for analysis of traits of economic relevance.

“What started out as an idea at the University has evolved into a full-fledged company that’s at the forefront of genomic technology,” said CEO Colin Coros. “We have some of the best DNA specialists in the industry who are committed to making the livestock industry more profitable and sustainable.”

Delta Genomics offers biobanking, genotyping, and sequencing, and was created as the service arm of Livestock Gentec (an Alberta Innovates Bio Solutions innovation centre) with support from the Government of Canada and the University of Alberta, with a goal to commercialize genomic technologies for the livestock industry.

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