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## **THE MARTIN-BROWER COMPANY OPENS NEW FACILITY IN MASON CITY, IOWA**

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ROSEMONT, IL, November 12, 2007 - This past weekend, The Martin-Brower Company, L.L.C. commenced operations in its new facility in Mason City, Iowa, servicing approximately 157 McDonald's restaurants in Iowa, South Dakota and Wisconsin. The 45,000-square foot facility in the Mason City Industrial Park employs approximately 70 people and enables the company to deliver even greater service to McDonald's Midwest region.

"Mason City has greatly assisted us in determining the most logical location for our new Midwest operations," said Mr. Roussel. "Mason City EDC, North Iowa Area Community College (NIACC), the John Pappajohn Business & Entrepreneurial Center (JPEC) and Iowa Workforce Development (IWD) have all been instrumental in our search and have contributed to bringing these new jobs and our investment to Mason City."

Martin-Brower is the largest the McDonald's Corporation's distributor serving company since 1956. The company delivers over 220 million cases of product to more than 9,000 restaurants each year. ??Recognized as an industry leader in such areas as warehouse cleanliness and safety procedures, Martin-Brower has won numerous Silliker Platinum awards and is dedicated to setting new standards for on-time delivery, dependability, efficiency and safety at the international level.

Rich Krabbe, Martin-Brower General Manager - Pompano Beach, is acting-transition General Manager for the Mason City distribution center with Leah Heimdahl taking on the General Manager role following the transition.

"This new facility is one more step in our commitment to deliver unmatched value for our customers while creating an outstanding work environment for our employees," said Mr. Roussel. "Rich, Leah and the entire Mason City Martin-Brower team will ensure we become a positive business member in the Mason City community and the best partner to our Midwest customers."