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Dave Boivin, Nova's President and Chief Operating Officer adds, "NOVA and Amoco are making a strong statement that Alberta is one of the most competitive locations in the world for petrochemical production."

Under the terms of the joint venture deal, Amoco Canada is building the plant at the site of an existing Nova Chemicals production facility near Red Deer, Alberta. Amoco Canada will own and operate the new plant. A corporate cousin, Amoco Chemicals, designed the plant, provided proprietary technology and will be responsible for operations and marketing support.

Scheduled for completion by the year 2000, Prairie Rose will employ 120 people. At switch-on time the plant will have a production capacity of 550 million pounds, expandable as required, to 825 million per year. ♦