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Demand for Canadian equipment

St. Petersburg food processing market

he food processing/packaging market in St. Petersburg continues to develop at a higher speed than some other industry sectors and offers opportunities for Canadian

companies interested in exploring the Northwest Russian market.

Its rapid development started after the August 1998 financial crisis.

When imported products became too expensive to most Russians, domestic

food producers started to increase the production capacity of their factories,

spurring demand for high-quality food processing equipment. Local manufacturers of such equipment could not meet the increased demand and the quality of domestic equipment does not meet

the modern high-tech criteria, although their equipment is highly competitive pricewise.

Canadian reputation strong

This market offers trade and investment opportunities for Canadian compa-

nies as equipment needs of the Russian industry remain very high.

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Water bottling line, part of food processing.

Natural resources mission: get on board!

Opening doors to India

Canada's natural resources sectors have an exceptional opportunity to explore one of the fastest-growing economies in Asia.

Minister of Natural Resources, Herb Dhaliwal, is inviting business leaders to join him on a business development mission to India from November 10 to 16, 2002. The mission is intended to open doors to this emerging market, and to show how well Canadian capabilities in the natural resources sectors mesh with India's growing needs.

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