Rand McNally Announces Corporate Headquarters Relocation

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*New office accommodates technology needs of America's favorite mapmaker*

Rand McNally today announced it has moved its world headquarters to a modern, state-of-the-art location in Skokie, Ill., a Chicago suburb where it has been a corporate resident since 1952. The company's first day in its new headquarters, located at 9855 Woods Drive, Skokie, Ill. 60077, is January 26, 2009.

The former Rand McNally headquarters building, located at 8255 Central Park Avenue in Skokie, was built by the McNally family in the early 1950s to accommodate the company's growing printing and book-manufacturing operations.

"Rand McNally is a dramatically different company than it was five decades ago," said Andrzej Wrobel, Rand McNally president and chief executive officer. "Today, all of our maps and travel content are created digitally, so the focus is on having a modern and efficient technology infrastructure. Fortunately, we found the perfect building located just a couple of miles from our former headquarters."

Rand McNally's Skokie employees will occupy 82,400 square feet of the six-story Woods Drive building, which is located on a serene office campus bordering the Harms Woods Forest Preserve. The space, featuring up-to-date computer and telecommunications systems, accommodates the growing needs of the company's various business lines, including digital, consumer retail, e-commerce, commercial trucking, and education.

"Although Rand McNally may be most famous for its print maps and atlases, our product line has constantly expanded," added Wrobel. "Our products now range from navigation solutions for truckers to online education services for students and teachers to an upcoming line of consumer and commercial GPS devices. The new office configuration is more conducive to the teamwork and innovation we require to meet the changing navigation and trip-planning needs of our customers."

Rand McNally also has a product development office in Irvine, Calif., as well as a distribution warehouse in Richmond, Ky. The company's former building in Skokie was sold to the Ida Crown Jewish Academy in early 2008. Driving directions to the new headquarters office at 9855 Woods Drive are available at the company's enhanced website, www.RandMcNally.com, featuring 1 million additional home addresses and over 22,000 more miles of roads not found on any other online maps and directions service.

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