CALGARY ASSESSMENT REVIEW BOARD DECISION WITH REASONS

In the matter of the complaint against the Property assessment as provided by the *Municipal Government Act*, Chapter M-26, Section 460(4).

between:

Altus Group Ltd., COMPLAINANT

and

The City Of Calgary, RESPONDENT

before:

D. Trueman, PRESIDING OFFICER
M. Grace, Board Member
I. Fraser, Board Member

This is a complaint to the Calgary Assessment Review Board in respect of Property assessment prepared by the Assessor of The City of Calgary and entered in the 2010 Assessment Roll as follows:

ROLL NUMBER: 090094905

LOCATION ADDRESS: 448 - 42nd Ave. SE

HEARING NUMBER: 58874

ASSESSMENT: \$1,820,000

This complaint was heard on 13th day of September, 2010 at the office of the Assessment Review Board located at Floor Number 4, 1212 – 31 Avenue NE, Calgary, Alberta, Boardroom 3

Appeared on behalf of the Complainant:

D. Mewha

Appeared on behalf of the Respondent:

J. Young

Board's Decision in Respect of Procedural or Jurisdictional Matters:

There were no preliminary matters prior to the commencement of this hearing.

Property Description:

The subject property is an industrial warehouse building with internal office space. The rentable area is 8,702 sq. ft. and the land base is 14,162 sq. ft.

Issues:

The subject property contains an unusually high ratio of office space and the Complainant feels that a suburban office classification is more reasonable.

Complainant's Requested Value:

\$955,500

Board's Decision in Respect of Each Matter or Issue:

Given the industrial nature of the neighbourhood, the Board was unable to agree with the Complainant that a suburban office classification would be more appropriate for the subject property. This decision was strengthened by the combined testimony of the parties.

Board's Decision:

The complaint is denied and the assessment is confirmed at \$1,820,000.

DATED AT THE CITY OF CALGARY THIS 15 DAY OF OCTOBER 2010

D. Frueman Presiding Officer An appeal may be made to the Court of Queen's Bench on a question of law or jurisdiction with respect to a decision of an assessment review board.

Any of the following may appeal the decision of an assessment review board:

- (a) the complainant;
- (b) an assessed person, other than the complainant, who is affected by the decision;
- (c) the municipality, if the decision being appealed relates to property that is within the boundaries of that municipality;
- (d) the assessor for a municipality referred to in clause (c).

An application for leave to appeal must be filed with the Court of Queen's Bench within 30 days after the persons notified of the hearing receive the decision, and notice of the application for leave to appeal must be given to

- (a) the assessment review board, and
- (b) any other persons as the judge directs.