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ALDI OPENS NEW \$145 MILLION WAREHOUSE AND DISTRIBUTION CENTRE

ALDI Stores has opened its \$145 million Warehouse and Distribution Centre in Prestons, western Sydney, creating 250 new jobs in the area.

David Zalunardo, Managing Director Prestons Region, says the opening is a significant milestone in terms of ALDI's expansion and future growth plans in Australia.

"The 56,000 square metre Prestons Warehouse and Distribution Centre is one of the largest ALDI facilities in the world and it will support the addition of another 80 ALDI stores to the current network of 85 stores in New South Wales," he says.

"Importantly it will help support our expansion into southern Sydney and beyond, so we can bring ALDI's promise of smarter shopping to more people."

Key features include an efficient floor layout which enables product drop offs from suppliers into the warehouse and store order pickups by ALDI trucks to occur seamlessly and quickly.

The facility has a large freezer, chiller and a temperature controlled chocolate room which also stores fresh produce such as avocados, onions, potatoes and bananas.

"We are particularly proud of the design elements such as the water irrigation catchment tanks installed to capture rainwater runoff to operate the on-site toilets, water the gardens and supply the truck wash-down area, demonstrating our commitment to sustainability," says Mr Zalunardo.

The Prestons Warehouse and Distribution Centre currently services 31 stores, which is expected to number 52 stores by December 2010.

"We have changed the retail landscape in Australia since opening our first store in 2001 and have made a long term commitment to foster economic development in NSW and the further enhancement of the grocery retail sector."

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