

Agilus Work Solutions Acquires BOWEN Group, increasing its market share in Alberta and commitment to diversity recruitment

Calgary, AB – October 5, 2021 – Agilus (Design Group Staffing Inc.), a recognized leader in the staffing industry, today announced it has acquired BOWEN Group (BOWEN Workforce Solutions Inc.) and its ownership stake in Stream Source, an Indigenous workforce management firm, bringing together more than 90 years of recruitment experience, award-winning talent, and long-term client relationships.

This acquisition will expand Agilus’ Alberta footprint, offer clients a more robust Contingent Workforce Management solution and help further drive its commitment to diversity and inclusion. It brings together two highly complementary companies focused on driving exceptional service to our clients and candidates, innovative workforce solutions, and highly responsive recruiting capabilities to clients across a broad range of industries and geographies. BOWEN’s 47-year history, long-term client relationships and respected brand, combined with Agilus’ 44-year history, depth and breadth of service offerings, and offices in 14 locations will result in the accelerated growth and strengthening of their combined competitive position across Canada.

“BOWEN’s reputation as a trusted advisor in Canada is evidenced by the strength of their client relationships, many of which have spanned decades,” said Craig Brown, CEO, Agilus. “With the addition of BOWEN’s talented team, we’ll expand our ability to deliver better outcomes to our combined clients, contractors and candidates in Canada.”

“Joining the Agilus family is truly a perfect match for BOWEN that expands opportunities for both our clients and all of our employees. The alignment of our services, and industries with an appreciation of our client relationships and culture underscores our commitment to meeting the unique needs of the Canadian marketplace,” said Shannon Bowen-Smed, CEO, BOWEN Group.

In 2019, Agilus was ranked 6th in the top 10 staffing firms in Canada and in 2021 recognized as a Best Managed Firm by Deloitte for the 22nd year. In 2021, BOWEN Group was recognized as a Best Managed Firm by Deloitte for the third year in a row and was recognized as the only Diversity-owned staffing firm in Canada by SIA.

About BOWEN Workforce Solutions Inc.

BOWEN Group is one of Canada’s leading recruitment and contractor management firm. Throughout its 47-year history, BOWEN Group has transformed the human capital space and placed over 130,000 people in jobs across the country. With a commitment to championing inclusive cultures, harnessing diverse talent, and enriching safe working environments, BOWEN Group’s mission is to make people matter.

About Agilus Work Solutions

Headquartered in Edmonton, Alberta, Agilus Work Solutions employs over 170 professionals who place thousands of qualified candidates every year. With 14 offices across Canada, Agilus offers national reach and local knowledge. Agilus is the largest full service Canadian-owned staffing organization and has a deep understanding of the country, regions and local markets it serves. Knowledge of work trends, challenges and opportunities makes Agilus uniquely capable of leading better outcomes for employers and the workforce in Canada. Agilus provides work solutions across all skill sets and industries: Engineering & Technical, Information Technology, Office & Professional and Light Industrial.

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