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It's in the Bag: Great Lakes Calcium Rolls Out Improvements ***Facility now fully operational following a fire nine months ago***

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(Green Bay, WI) Great Lakes Calcium is fully operational again following last December's fire at its warehouse and bagging area. In fact, the fire also produced an opportunity to install new equipment which has led to improvements benefitting both the business and its customers. Great Lakes Calcium, a limestone processing facility, is one of the leading suppliers of custom minerals in the Midwest.

The fire was started by a faulty air compressor in the warehouse / bagging area, causing \$2 million in damage. However, no one was at the plant when the fire broke out and although firefighters were on the scene for five hours, no one was hurt battling the blaze.

Within a few weeks, much of Great Lakes Calcium's operations were back to normal and the firm never missed keeping the customers supplied with product. "The last piece of our rebuilding effort is now in place, and that's our new bagging equipment," said Shari Aleksy, President of Great Lakes Calcium. "The new bagging technology improves manufacturing accuracy and gives us great flexibility, which is a direct benefit to our customers."

In addition, by the end of 2009, the company will begin producing redesigned bags, starting with its agricultural line. "While a fire is never something a business wants to deal with, in our case, there are good things that came from it," added Aleksy. "We've been able to continue operating while rebuilding and adding new equipment that allows us to better serve our customers."

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