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### **Metrofile expands KwaZulu-Natal Facilities**

Metrofile, Africa's leader in on and off-site information and records management, has significantly upgraded its KwaZulu-Natal offices and storage facilities.

The company has recently completed the R15m additions to its warehouse facilities in Pine Town KwaZulu-Natal, successfully having added 1657sqm of floor space in an impressive 21m high warehouse, which is considered one of the highest warehouses in the area. Additional capacity has also been added to its satellite facility in Empangeni. The building which is now undoubtedly one of the tallest in the area was built to cope with continued demand from customers and will be able to house more than 300 000 boxes.

This expansion forms part of a national capacity building exercise, but was driven by direct demand from customers in the KwaZulu-Natal region for safe, reliable document storage. The KwaZulu-Natal province boasts large manufacturing, logistics, government and growing professional services industries that rely heavily on the off-site storage of documents and records expertise of Metrofile.

"We have seen a significant growth in demand for our services in KZN, particularly in the local and provincial government as well as the logistics industry in our region. While our traditional business remains strong, we needed to expand our capacity to deal with demand from new customers in the area," says Brad Dallas, general manager for Metrofile in KwaZulu-Natal.

"We are fortunate in that our business continues to grow in spite of the global recession, in fact I would go so far as to say that the recession is fuelling demand as companies seek to reduce overheads, to maintain or improve customer service and to ensure that they meet global corporate governance and audit requirements."

Just over a year ago Metrofile committed to a national capacity expansion project to be able to better serve its customers, and is now more than 50 percent through its planned capacity building and has to date invested more than R29.5 million in upgrading its storage facilities.

The KwaZulu-Natal expansion comes after the Cape Town warehouse was recently upgraded and new facilities built to handle the need for information and records storage in Port Elizabeth and Johannesburg. These will be followed by expansion planned for Pretoria and Bloemfontein.

"We believe this expansion will greatly benefit our KwaZulu-Natal customers ensuring that we have the capacity to store their records safely and securely. Metrofile is committed to providing customers with quality value for money services and we have no doubt that our new facilities which meet international standards will help us to continue doing so," ends Dallas.

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### **About Metrofile**

Established in 1983, Metrofile is the market leader in Africa for information and records management (on and off-site). The only company to provide full end-to-end solutions, Metrofile services customers across all sectors of the economy.

Metrofile's extensive range of services enables companies and organisations to use, store, and recycle their records and information quickly, intelligently and cost effectively – freeing up valuable physical and human resources. Our services include records management, image processing, paper management and extensive range of information solutions including the supply and maintenance of scanning and document handling equipment, software development, online storage and hosting, consultancy and training.

Metrofile Holdings is quoted in "Support Services – Business Support Services" Sector of the JSE Limited (JSE).

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