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# Six Nations of the Grand River Development Corporation Expands Portfolio by Partnering with VersaPile Inc.

**Ohsweken, ON, May 26, 2025** – Six Nations of the Grand River Development Corporation (SNGRDC), the economic development arm of the Six Nations community, and VersaPile Inc., a Manitoba-based helical pile contractor, announced today the formation of a partnership to perform work related to the construction of renewable energy infrastructure in Southern Ontario.

"SNGRDC continues to showcase the value of Indigenous business by partnering with VersaPile, a company that shares our vision of Indigenous economic self-sufficiency, innovation, and professionalism," said Matt Jamieson, President & CEO of Six Nations of the Grand River Development Corporation. "This partnership further expands SNGRDC's presence in the market, creates employment and capacity-building opportunities for community members, and will generate revenue for SNGRDC to invest back into the community for future generations."

SNGRDC and VersaPile will collaborate to identify new business opportunities, with VersaPile leading business development efforts and SNGRDC working to leverage Indigenous procurement opportunities. VersaPile will support Six Nations in advancing its sustainable energy projects by providing engineered helical pile foundations where appropriate. Compared to traditional foundation methods, helical piles offer a significantly lower carbon footprint and can be installed with minimal soil disruption. Moreover, they are fully removable, allowing project sites to be remediated to their original state. Once uninstalled, helical piles can be repurposed for future projects or recycled, aligning with the long-term sustainability goals shared by both SNGRDC and VersaPile.

"Both VersaPile and SNGRDC are committed to doing good work in a good way. As an Indigenous-owned company, some might question the logic of partnering with another Indigenous entity—but for us, this partnership is a meaningful way to deepen our impact. It ties our business efforts directly to the benefit of the Six Nations community, opens pathways to a skilled Indigenous labour force, and gives us

important cultural insight into doing work the right way in Southern Ontario. We're proud to stand alongside SNGRDC, blending technical excellence with values-led collaboration," said Stan Higgins, Founder and CEO of VersaPile Inc. To learn more about VersaPile, visit <a href="https://www.versapile.com">www.versapile.com</a>.

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## **About Six Nations of the Grand River Development Corporation:**

Six Nations of the Grand River Development Corporation (SNGRDC) manages the Six Nations' economic interests in 25 energy projects and numerous economic development opportunities in and around the Six Nations territory. SNGRDC's current energy portfolio boasts over 2.4 GW of capacity through its direct or indirect involvement in five battery storage, six solar, and 14 wind project(s). SNGRDC is located on the Six Nations Reserve and employs an average of 100 employees through Nation Enterprise or the administration of Economic Interests projects. For more information, please visit www.sndevcorp.ca.

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#### **About VersaPile Inc.:**

VersaPile Inc. is one of Canada's fastest-growing construction companies, specializing in high-capacity helical pile foundations for renewable energy, transmission and distribution, utilities, telecommunications, ICI (industrial, commercial and institutional), and Indigenous infrastructure projects. Headquartered in Manitoba, VersaPile is proudly Indigenous-owned and operated, and is recognized across Canada for its innovative piling solutions, technical integrity, and commitment to long-term value. VersaPile is a trusted ally in the clean energy transition and has earned accolades such as the First Nations Power Authority's Award for Innovation in Cleaner Technology. Learn more at www.versapile.com.

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