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AEP EXPANDING ITS CHINO OPERATION

Watson Land Co. has leased 143,877 square feet within the Watson Commerce Center Chino to AEP Industries, Inc. AEP, a manufacturer of more than 15,000 types of multipurpose and flexible packaging films, signed an 88-month lease beginning Jan. 15, 2009, for a total consideration in excess of \$7 million. The property is located at 6949 Bickmore Ave. and will serve as an expansion facility to AEP's existing Chino headquarters on Monte Vista Avenue.

"There still remains solid demand for high-quality, energy-efficient properties," said Lance Ryan, vice president of marketing and leasing for Watson Land Co., citing more than 848,000 square feet of the 1.3 million square-foot master-planned center that have been leased.

"Flexibility and energy efficiency played a key role in our decision to expand to Watson Commerce Center Chino," said Daryl Danielowicz, national warehouse manager for AEP Industries. "We were particularly impressed by the energy-saving features of the building, as well as the ratio of trailer parking to the number of dock high doors."