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Fort Collins, Colorado (December 13, 2010) - The Northern Colorado Economic Development Corporation (NCEDC) is pleased to announce that Funkwerks has opened a brewery in Fort Collins, Colorado. Funkwerks is a saison brewery, saison brewing is the name given to specially brewed pale ales made seasonally in Wallonia to refresh workers during harvest season.

"The Funkwerks brews ales with character in the spirit of the farmhouse breweries of Wallonia but uniquely different." said Brad Lincoln, founder of Funkwerks. "We were drawn to the Fort Collins area because of the educated drinking culture and fantastic location for distribution. "The NCEDC has been a great resource in supporting our relocation and we appreciate their leadership in our company ramp up."

Funkwerks expects to be distributing along the Front Range beginning in 2011 and will then expand distribution outside of Colorado to the West coast. The brewery is located at 1900 E Lincoln, Unit B and will lease 5,700 square feet of space in the building. Funkwerks currently employs 2 people and plans to hire up to 6 people in the first three years.

"Funkwerks will bring a unique brewing style to our area that will complement the strong brewing industry in Fort Collins," said Mike Masciola, COO and Senior Vice President of NCEDC. "With breweries being a targeted industry for NCEDC and Larimer County, we are very excited to have such a quality brewer come to our community."

"The City of Fort Collins is pleased that Funkwerks chose to locate here." said Mike Freeman, Chief Financial Officer for the City of Fort Collins, "we would like to thank NCEDC for leading this effort and welcome Funkwerks to Colorado's home for the craft brewing industry."

About NCEDC:

The NCEDC is a non-profit organization and the primary resource in Larimer County to assist with business attraction and business retention and expansion of primary employers. Through the generous support of NCEDC's investors and strategic partners, year to date the NCEDC staff has assisted in the creation of 455 primary jobs with an average salary of \$68,857, 74% above the Larimer County average salary of \$39,500. This provides an annual payroll of over \$27 million earned by local residents. Visit www.ncedc.com for more information.

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