

# BHP Billiton to call Saskatoon home

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Tim Cutt, president of BHP Billiton's Diamonds and Specialty Products

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With its potash president moving to Saskatoon, BHP Billiton Ltd.'s Jansen project also moves closer to reality.

The company announced Tuesday it is moving its diamonds and specialty products group to Saskatoon from Vancouver. Tim Cutt was named the new president.

Cutt said he wouldn't be relocating to the Bridge City if he didn't believe the massive potash project will receive approval for production from BHP Billiton's senior executives.

"If I didn't think so, I don't think I'd be coming," the Houston, Texas-based Cutt said in an interview with The StarPhoenix. He said he has "a lot of confidence" in Jansen.

"Certainly, we have approval to move forward with the early stages of the engineering and we'd expect board approval sometime in 2012."

Cutt is president of BHP Billiton's petroleum division. He will succeed Graham Kerr on June 1, and be living and working in Saskatoon by July 1. Kerr is leaving the position to return to Australia due to an illness in his family.