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### Kawartha Fireplace & BBQ's to merge with Friendly Fires

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**PETERBOROUGH, ON – June 1<sup>st</sup> 2007** – Friendly Fires announced today that Kawartha Fireplace & BBQ's will be merging with Friendly Fires effective June 1<sup>st</sup> 2007. Kawartha Fireplace & BBQ's was formally one of Peterborough's largest fireplace and outdoor grill retail operations.

By merging the two operations, Friendly Fires has become one of the largest full-service hearth organizations in Ontario. Started almost 9 years ago by Dan Twomey, Kawartha Fireplace & BBQ's specialized in the sales and service of quality fireplaces, BBQ's, smokers, as well as cultured stone installations. Dan Twomey added:

*"I am pleased to be joining the team at Friendly Fires. These past 9 years have been very exciting for me and my team, and I encourage all of my past and current customers to visit me at Friendly Fires. By combining our sales team, customer history as well as supplier relationships, we have really become a 1+1 = 3 team."*

The Kawartha Fireplaces showroom will remain open until the end of June. Beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>, all operations will be run out of the Friendly Fires headquarters on Highway 7 East in Peterborough. Dan brings over 12 years of hearth experience and will be heading up the contractor sales division at Friendly Fires.

#### **About Friendly Fires**

Friendly Fires is the Kawartha's largest full-service specialty hearth retailer specializing in the sales and service of wood, gas, & pellet stoves, fireplaces, and BBQ's. For additional information, please visit [www.friendlyfires.ca](http://www.friendlyfires.ca).