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From the President's Desk

Over the past few months AMCO has experienced change, while continuing to grow the organization, with new members, and new supporters of our e-zine, which we are all grateful for. On top of all this, we have been extremely busy working to organize another great annual convention and trade show in Peterborough from October 6 to October 8, 2013, and the Emergency Exercise Design Course following until October 10.

We are very excited for this year's AMCO Convention and Trade Show as it is being held right at the airport. This will allow for some unique demonstrations to take place as part of the convention, as well as for exhibitors to have more space and have their equipment in their natural setting. There will also be a theme night taking place on the Monday night of the conference at the airport, which promises to be lots of fun.

I would be remiss here if I didn't take the opportunity to again remind that Ann Donnelly, due to health issues, has left the organization. Ann will certainly be missed as she always went above and beyond in her position with AMCO. We certainly wish Ann a quick return to full health, and after that what will hopefully be a very long and enjoyable retirement.

To ensure everyone gets registered for the convention and the trade show please contact Bryan Avery, Executive Director, or Rory Currie, Airport Research Assistant, at 1.877.636.AMCO (2626).

The convention is shaping up to be a very informative few days, with sessions, demonstrations, along with all the other annual events such as the Golf Tournament and Steak Dinner on the Sunday, and the Formal Dinner on the Tuesday. Please note that the formal dinner does return to its normal Tuesday evening this year. As mentioned Monday night will have a Theme Night at the Airport in the vendor village, so lots of great exposure this year for our vendors. Workshops will include pavement repair such as micro abrasion and crack filing, and wildlife management airfield demonstration. Topics for sessions will include the annual updates from Nav Canada, Transport Canada, and Ministry of Transportation. This year will also have a wind turbine panel, A "How to" for Airport Master and Business planning, an Operations Round Table for the third straight year, and also an update on Federal Storage Tank Regulations.

I know there have been a lot of retirements this year and with that a number of new people joining the industry. We will certainly miss those that have moved on from the industry and would like to welcome those who have moved into the industry. Congratulations to those who have retired throughout the year.

I am extremely excited to see you all at our 28th Annual Convention and 16th Annual Trade Show at the Peterborough Airport this year.

Highest Regards,

Terry Bos, BBA, CM
President, Airport Management Council of Ontario
CEO, Sault Ste. Marie Airport Development Corporation



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Better Aviation Fuel Options Coming

Original Articles By: James Murray, Business Now
<http://news.amco.on.ca/AvFuel>

Leaded aviation gasoline could be partly replaced by alternative fuels. Researchers at the National Research Council of Canada (NRC) have announced a new project to assist in the development and testing of an alternative for low lead (100LL) aviation gasoline.

"The National Research Council of Canada has the expertise and facilities to support the development, certification, and deployment of a suitable alternative fuel," said John R. McDougall, President of the National Research Council of Canada. "The project will benefit the industry and Canadian communities relying on general aviation."

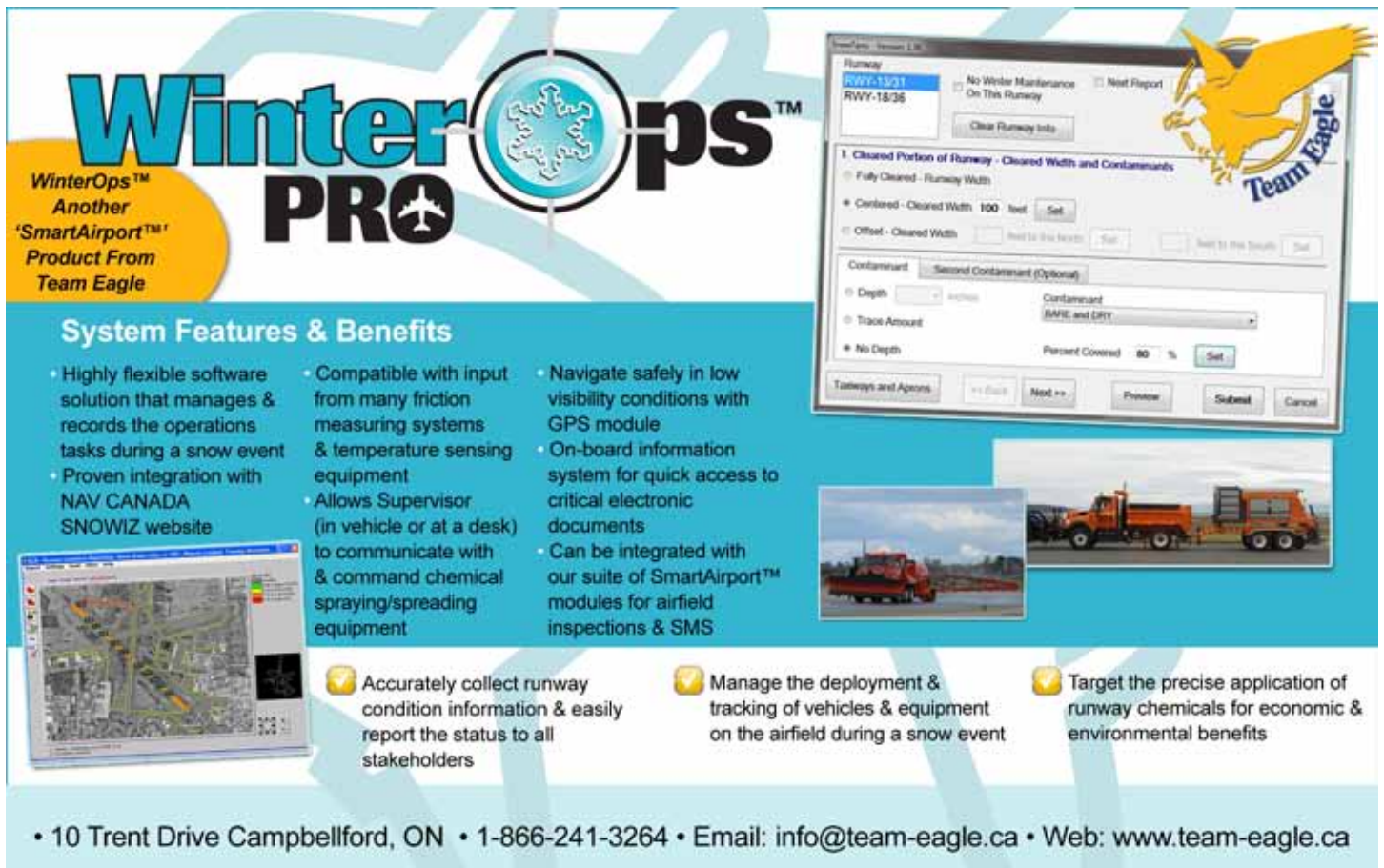
The project, which is in response to concerns from the aviation industry over the replacement of 100LL with a no-lead alternative, will seek ways to reduce airborne pollutants released during transportation. Having less, or better yet no lead in the exhaust fumes would be a very positive result.

Tame the SMS Beast

Original Article By: Deborahann Cavalcante
<http://news.amco.on.ca/tameSMS>

The mere thought of developing or implementing SMS sends shivers through many managers. But tackling the SMS monster could be made a simpler process by breaking it down into bite-size pieces, and focusing on smaller tasks so that one layer builds and coordinates with another.

Companies may be pleasantly surprised to discover they already have many SMS elements in place. However, these elements may not be documented, or a direct correlation between policies, programs, systems and procedures may be missing or nonexistent. SMS tools, like gap analysis tools, are of great value in determining performance gaps, and what actions should be taken to eliminate the gaps, which essentially becomes the design of the SMS. The challenge will be how to transition the available information, and their understanding of SMS, into a functional safety management system in the most efficient and effective manner.



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Airport Looking At New Governance Structure

Original Article By: Jennifer Bowman,
Bracebridge Examiner
<http://news.amco.on.ca/MuskokaGovernance>

The District of Muskoka is looking at a new form of governance for the airport. At a district planning and economic development meeting committee members voted in favour of establishing a commission to manage and operate the airport. The commission would be a small body appointed by the district to be responsible for everything at the airport including operations, planning, marketing and promotions

After about five minutes discussion and explanation at the meeting by Lake of Bays Mayor Bob Young who is on the airport advisory committee, all but Gravenhurst Coun. Rosemary King voted in favour of the commission. The suggestion arose from the airport advisory committee after reviewing a 235 page report from an outside consultant to help the district create an airport master plan and business plan.

One of the issues in the report was the governance of the airport, which is currently owned by the District of Muskoka and operated by district staff. Young said the reasons for changing from the current governance structure are to create a wider mix of aviation, business, and political knowledge and experience, minimize multi-level political influence, to create a focus of the airport operations and management and to create a business presence that attracts grants.

On July 15 2013, Council approved consideration for the option of establishing an Airport Commission to manage and operate the Muskoka Airport as recommended by the Airport Advisory Committee. Council supported the recommendation while recognizing that this matter will require review by the outside consultant that will be retained to undertake the external Operational Review of the District of Muskoka.



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Runway to Benefit From Bulk of \$3 Million Grant

Original Article By: Editorial, The Sudbury Star
<http://news.amco.on.ca/RunwayGrant>

The Greater Sudbury Airport Community Development Corporation announced Thursday almost \$2.5 million will be spent on runway rehabilitation while another \$750,000 will go toward a wildlife management fence thanks to a Transport Canada ACAP grant.

"The airport has been reborn in the past few years," said Mayor Marianne Matichuk, in a news release. "As an independent business unit within the city, the airport is constantly improving its facilities and services to meet the needs of Greater Sudburians and our visitors. The airport's management team and its public and private-sector partners deserve a lot of credit for this important success story in our city."

Since the creation of the Sudbury Airport Community Development Corporation, more than \$10 million in private-sector investment has occurred at the airport and 90 jobs created.

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Air Carrier Kicking the Region's Tires

Original Article By: Sean Chase, Daily Observe
<http://news.amco.on.ca/PembrokeAirCarrier>

The Pembroke and Area Airport Commission is in talks with an air carrier who has expressed interest in doing business in the region. The name of the prospective airline has not yet been released.

There were two previous scheduled service operators at the airport. Pem-Air operated for 33 years before folding its tents in 2000, and then Go Air Express had an eight-month run from November 2002 to June 2003 before suspending operations.

2011 survey results showed there is sufficient demand to support air service on the Pembroke to Toronto route with two to three daily round trips, if connecting flights are available at Toronto-Pearson, or one to two daily round trips if point-to-point service. Wren added the area remains attractive due to the presence of Atomic Energy of Canada Limited and CFB Petawawa.

Councillors Want More Detailed Report From Airport Board

Original Article By: My Kawartha ,
<http://news.amco.on.ca/KawarthaAp>

The Kawartha Lakes Municipal Airport continues to undergo improvements in an effort to attract more business to the municipality. City councillors are glad to see those improvements. Board member and Ward 5 Coun. Steve Strangway and board chair Dr. George Sweetman provided an update on the airport improvements, which included drainage, construction of the taxi-way area and 16 new tie-down spaces, including the installation of 2,000 feet of cable donated by a Kawartha Lakes Flying Club member. The furnace in the flight school hanger was also replaced.

Dr. Sweetnam and airport manager Mark Savage noted fuel sales are up 35 per cent over last year. As well, there is an increase in flight traffic, including from the U.S. Both the ORNGE air ambulance and the OPP aircraft continue to use the facility. The flight school added two more aircraft last year, two additional instructors and an office manager. A twin-engine plane will be available for commercial training and the school plans to acquire two more single-engine trainers later this summer, as the number of international students increases.

Council heard that Eric B. Robinson Ltd., which now has 12 employees, has begun construction of the prototype six-passenger Seabee. If the company is successful in getting that aircraft into production, that will bring jobs, because producing it would mean an upgraded manufacturing facility. Also, the classic car show and the COPA for kids flight event drew a significant number of visitors to the airport.

Coun. Strangway said he sees the airport as "a great success story," given what it looked like five years ago. "We have no illusions that we'll ever have jets coming in," he said. "We see it as a very, very good municipal airport."

Guelph Flight Centre, Open and Ready for Take-off!

<http://news.amco.on.ca/GuelphFC>

The Guelph Flight Centre, owned and operated by the Brampton Flying Club, opened its doors on July 1, 2013 at the Guelph Airpark. Transport Canada approved the base for flight training operations in early August. BFC Flight Instructor, Martin Gyorky will manage the base and is ready to fly! Recreational and Private Pilot Training will be offered in a Cessna 152.



The advertisement features a red background with a white diagonal line pattern. At the top left is a small image of a white aircraft on a runway. To its right are two red squares: one with the number '911' in white, and another with a white circular icon containing a stylized 'E'. Below these is a black banner with the word 'EMERGENCY' in large, bold, yellow letters, and 'EXERCISE DESIGN COURSE!' in smaller, white, bold letters. On the left side, the text 'Learn Design Participate' is written in yellow. Below this, in white, is the text: 'Get Involved with this interactive two-day course. Experience a live night exercise at the Peterborough Municipal Airport with local emergency responders.' On the right side, there is a small image of a red and white fire truck. Below the fire truck is the AMCO logo, which consists of the letters 'AMCO' in a stylized white font with a white airplane silhouette flying over the 'O'. At the bottom, the text 'REGISTER TODAY! VISIT: www.amco.on.ca' is written in white, followed by 'Oct. 8-9, 2013 Peterborough, ON.' in yellow.

Almaguin Highlands Air Park Celebrates 80th Anniversary

Article By AMCO

The newly renamed Almaguin Highlands Air Park held a Father's Day celebration on the eve of the aerodrome's 80th anniversary. The two day event was made possible by the North Bay COPA Flight 23, South River/Sundridge Flying Club, Village of Sundridge, and the Townships of Strong and Joly.

Opening ceremonies were held with high-level visiting dignitaries. Participants included the WWII Canadian Harvard Aircraft Association, Helicopters Canada, the Northern Lights Steel Orchestra, along with vendors and general aviation.

The event highlighted the importance of the air park to the social and economic future of the Almaguin Highland communities. The goal remains to encourage job creation by bringing in new businesses and fostering the region's tourism sector, namely bird watching, nature trails, and cross country skiing.

Airport Commission Chair Capt. W. Barry Morris stated that, "we are happy with the event and look forward to collaborating on another one."

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A New Piece of Equipment for the Tarmac

Original Article By: Steve Smith, Aviation Pros
<http://news.amco.on.ca/NewEquip>

A new unmanned ground vehicle is currently being tested at Quebec City's Jean Lesage International Airport. The unusual six-wheeled vehicle is built low to the ground and appears to have the world's largest dust pan mounted on the front.

The Remote Package Handling System is the first commercial version of a new family of remote controlled ground vehicles created by a



partnership of three Canadian companies after 10 years of R&D. It allows for a safe way to remove suspicious packages without having to shut down the airport for a protracted investigation period.

Toronto Airport Rail Express Build on Track

Original Article By: The Canadian Press
<http://news.amco.on.ca/TorontoRail>

The province is on track to begin construction of a new express station linking train service to Pearson International Airport, Ontario's transport minister said on July 11.

Glen Murray says work will begin next month on the Union Pearson Express station at downtown Toronto's busy Union Station. The express link between Union Station and Pearson International Airport is expected to cut the travelling time to about 25 minutes, with trains departing every 15 minutes.

"It actually connects two of our airports," said Murray. "Billy Bishop (Toronto City Airport), which runs a shuttle service out of here, and with Pearson, which will connect our central business district and our busiest transportation hub."

He says the station will link train service to and from the airports in time for the 2015 Pan/Parapan Am Games. It will also be integrated with GO Transit, Toronto Transit Commission and Via Rail services already connected to Union Station.

According to Murray, the new line is expected to remove an estimated 1.2 million car trips from Ontario roads in its first year of operation. The government says the project will create or support more than 1,200 jobs. Murray also touted his government's commitment to transportation in Toronto, pointing out that the project was 100 per cent publicly funded. "We need to get all parts of the GTA region connected. Too many parts of the region waited 20, 30 or 40 years while everyone talked about transit, and some people still just want to talk about transit," said Murray.

New Airport To Be Built In Pickering

Original Article By: The Canadian Press
<http://news.amco.on.ca/PickeringAp>

Finance Minister Jim Flaherty says the 75-square-kilometre Pickering Lands area that Ottawa acquired back in 1972 will be the site of the future airport. A Transport Canada study from 2011 indicated the busy Greater Toronto Area would need another airport by 2027 at the earliest, as the Buttonville airport closes and Highway 407 expands eastward.

In addition to the new transportation hub, nearly 20 square kilometers of green space is being parcelled out for the Rouge National Urban Park - which with the new land will be 13 times the size of Vancouver's scenic Stanley Park.

Pickering Mayor David Ryan is behind the plan, despite the long-standing local opposition. "It's 41 years later. The GTA has grown. Pickering has grown. The demand is here," he said.

Great Lakes International Airshow in St. Thomas Exceeds Expectations

Original Article By: Ben Forrest, St. Thomas Times-Journal
<http://news.amco.on.ca/StTAirshow>

There were ground attractions, static aircraft and other things to keep patrons occupied at the show, which was held at St. Thomas Municipal Airport from Friday to Sunday. The weather was nearly perfect at times, allowing for lots of flight performances and a show that kept patrons dry and sun-soaked.

Proceeds from advance tickets were twice as high as the last edition of the event in 2011. The show exceeded expectations according to Jim Graham, president of the event's board of directors. He added that "the performers were world-class and I think this event is going to be firmly established as one of the top air shows in Canada and North America."

The funds will be split among St. Thomas Elgin General Hospital, the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society of Canada, Military Family Resource Centres and a cadet league.



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Island Airport Runway Expansion Could Cost \$80 Million

Original Article By: Venessa Lu, Toronto Star
<http://news.amco.on.ca/RunwayExpan>

An interim city report examining whether Porter Airlines should be allowed to fly jets out of Toronto's island airport suggests a runway extension needed to handle them could cost \$80 million. And if jets are to be allowed, city council should not grant an exemption to only one particular plane because it would likely violate international trade law, the report says.



The report, from deputy city manager John Livey, serves as an update on consultant studies ordered by city council into Porter's request to fly the CSeries planes from Billy Bishop City Centre Airport. A final report is expected in September.

Other airlines have said any lifting of a jet ban should apply to everyone. Air Canada CEO Calin Rovinescu said, "We believe the Toronto island airport is not a private playground, and therefore carriers should have proper access to it."

New Roof For Sarnia Chris Hadfield Airport

Original Article By: The Observer
<http://news.amco.on.ca/SarniaRoof>

The Sarnia Chris Hadfield airport is getting a new roof. City council approved a \$116,000 contract with Sarnia-based Bullock & Sons Roofing, which was the lowest of three bids.

The roof has not been replaced since the airport was built by Transport Canada in 1973. The cost of the new roof will be funded from the city's airport capital reserve, which has a current balance of about \$292,220.

OMB Rules In Favour of Hamilton's Aerotropolis Plan

Original Article By: CBC News
<http://news.amco.on.ca/HamiltonAerotropolis>

The largest urban boundary expansion in Hamilton's history is going ahead, as the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) has ruled in the city's favour on a massive expansion around the airport. With the new ruling, the city will move ahead with the Airport Employment Growth District (AEGD), otherwise known as Aerotropolis. The plan calls for a net of 555 hectares of industrial and commercial growth around the John C. Munro Hamilton International Airport by 2031.

In its ruling, the board accepted the city's argument that 555 hectares of employment lands are needed. It was the latest step in a 10-year process to open up about 720 hectares around the airport to long-term development. The city says it will attract as many as 80,000 jobs, lure industry and bring in as much as \$70 million per year in taxes by 2031.



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Pilot In Crisis Did 'Great Job' In Landing Damaged Plane: Airport Staff

Original Article By: Rob McCormick, Peterborough Examiner
<http://news.amco.on.ca/EmergLand>

The pilot who made a successful emergency landing at the Peterborough Airport Tuesday "knew what he was doing and did a great job" of bringing the single-engine two-seater amphibious aircraft down safely, airport officials said Wednesday. Trent Gervais and assistant manager Kyle Bruce described what happened as the airport's emergency team reacted to the pilot's initial report of a malfunctioning landing gear. Throughout the next 90 minutes, Bruce was in constant communication with the pilot from a vehicle on one of the taxiways near the runway. He relayed information from the pilot to the airport's boardroom, which became the emergency operations centre.

"Initially," Bruce said, "after being notified of the potential problem with the aircraft, what we did was obtain information relevant to the situation such as the aircraft type, registration, the endurance the aircraft has in the air, the amount of fuel on board and the number of persons on board, as well as a description of the situation, this case being a gear malfunction, one of the wheels not going down."



One option would have been the CFB Trenton air base, which Gervais described as better, but that was ruled out because a thunderstorm was moving in from the east. A water landing was also ruled out because half of the landing gear was locked down, so it became apparent in the first few minutes that a landing at Peterborough was "inevitable," he said.

Ten minutes after the first radio contact, Peterborough Fire Services and paramedics were called, Gervais said. Meanwhile, Bruce was also on the phone with the Searey aircraft's manufacturer, trying to diagnose the nature of the problem and relaying that information to the pilot. The decision was made to have the plane circle the airport both to burn off fuel and give the pilot time to try a number of options to fix the landing gear, none of which worked, Bruce said.

The airport was shut down for about 90 minutes while the plane, which sustained minor damage, was removed. Gervais said he was pleased with the way the emergency response plan was executed. Including airport staff, Peterborough fire and paramedic personnel, about 20 people were involved. As well, airport tenants played a role, Gervais said.

"I think what's really neat out of all this is the skill and expertise of some of the tenants at the airport who came out to help," he said. "There was a pilot who is a business owner here who helped Kyle communicate with the pilot. Flying Colours did the recovery of the aircraft. Every time an incident happens here, these businesses leap into action to help, and I think that's something that's unique about our plan. There really is a pretty cool community here that is there to help each other."

Gervais said the airport's emergency response plan is typically activated two or three times a year. The most recent before Tuesday was in October. Gervais, a former chief of Peterborough Fire Services, said a debriefing will be held Friday "to compare the actual incident to how we measured up to the emergency plan. One thing incidents do is really bring out the flaws in your plan. On Friday we'll get some more information, but from my perspective, the staff, emergency services and tenants who were involved did exactly what I would have expected."

ORNGE Continues Ban on Using Unlit Landing Pads

Original Article By: CBC
<http://news.amco.on.ca/ORNGEban>

A ban on ORNGE helicopters landing at night on 73 remote pads continues to be in effect since it began after a fatal crash near Moosonee, Ont. in May.

Dr. Andrew McCallum, president of the province's air ambulance, said ORNGE had been wrestling for months with how to address "black hole" landings and take-offs — a term used to describe the pilot disorientation caused by flying over unlit terrain. Night vision goggles is one reported option.

The Transportation Safety Board reported there is no indication that mechanical problems were a factor in the helicopter crash that killed two paramedics and two pilots. The Sikorsky S76 air ambulance went down shortly after take-off. Since then, night landings at unlit helipads are banned, subject to pilot training and better lighting.



First Mock Exercise at Airport

Original Article by: Ashton Patis, Blackburn News
<http://news.amco.on.ca/MockExercise>

Chatham-Kent police, fire and EMS are all now prepared to respond to any type of emergency at the municipal airport.

For the first time ever a mock disaster was conducted on the runway where emergency crews had to respond to a scenario in which a plane had to make a landing with faulty landing gear.



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56 Drivers Put Their Skills to the Test

Original Article By: Hugo Rodrigues, Brantford Expositor
<http://news.amco.on.ca/TruckCamp>

After a break of several years, 56 truck drivers took to the apron at the Brantford airport on Saturday to be judged on their driving skills. The airport was one of the venues in Brantford this weekend for the 67th Ontario Truck Driving Championship. The remainder of the championship events, including the written exam each competing driver wrote Saturday morning before climbing into their trucks, took place at the Best Western Plus Brant Park Inn.

Arriving at the airport, drivers did a walk-through of the course with a marshal. Drivers competed in five different classes, depending on the type of truck they're licensed to drive, such as single-axle tandem, the big-rig tractor-trailers or the so-called trains- one truck pulling two attached trailers. The winners of each category form Team Ontario, which will travel to Vancouver later this year to compete in the national truck driving championships.

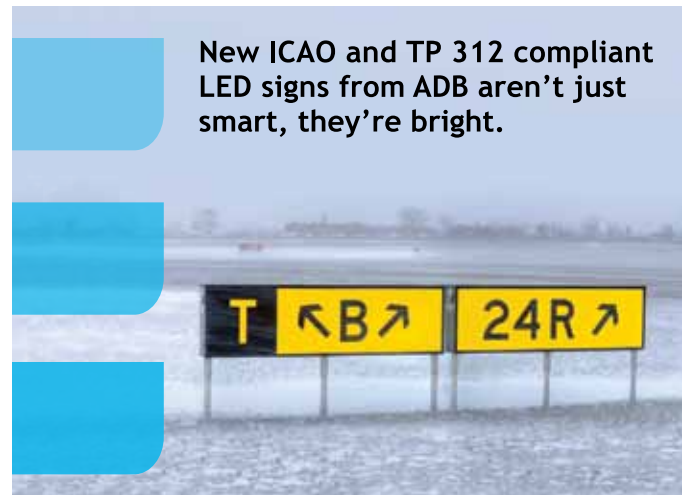
Brantford Mayor Chris Friel welcomed the drivers and their families to the airport Saturday. And he even took a truck - without its trailer - through one of the courses.

Airport Expansion Planned

Original Article By: Gord Young, The Nugget
<http://news.amco.on.ca/YYBExpansion>

The city is planning a \$2-million expansion at Jack Garland Airport to help retain and attract new carriers. The project will add approximately 342 square metres to the airport terminal, including increased counter space for additional carriers, a larger screening area for separate baggage handling and security checks, an expanded passenger holding area to accommodate an additional 90 people, plus washroom facilities, as well as an expanded operations area and an additional airside gate for passenger loading and unloading.

The work at the airport comes after a renovation in 2011, which nearly tripled the holding area for passengers to accommodate up to 100 people. In addition, the expansion will improve the airport's ability to accommodate large aircraft diverted from other airports, often due to weather. Landing fees for such flights are about \$1,500 and currently occur about six times per year.



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Remove Eight Turbines Immediately

Original Article By: Bob Boughner, Chatham Daily News
<http://news.amco.on.ca/RemoveTurbines>

The turbine company that owns eight turbines south of Chatham-Kent Municipal Airport should do the right thing and remove them immediately, says MPP Rick Nicholls. He adds that the cost for removing the turbines - which has been ordered by Transport Canada - would be far less than having to pay a lawsuit involving a possible airplane accident and the adverse publicity that would follow.

Nicholls said the turbines should come down "sooner than later" to avoid a serious aviation accident or tragedy. The MPP also said the eight turbines should be removed at the expense of GDF SUEZ, the company that owns them, and not at the expense of Chatham-Kent taxpayers.

The MPP said he's spoken with pilots who are concerned about the location of the turbines. "It's a safety issue and the safety of people who make use of the airport is the No. 1 issue," said Nicholls. He believes that if the turbine company is the good corporate citizen it claims to be, it should take immediate steps to remove the turbines.

He took issue with a claim by Dave Timm of GFD SUEZ that "it is not a safety issue but rather a zoning issue." Nicholls countered that "zoning regulations are put in place for safety reasons."

Despite the order from Transport Canada, the eight wind turbines continue to rotate south of the airport. Transport Canada spokesperson Tina Morris said the agency is working with the wind turbine company to set a practical deadline for removal. Furthermore, Morris noted that "on at least two occasions prior to the installation of the wind turbines, the agency advised the wind farm representatives that height restrictions were in effect in the area around the airport."



Canada's Aviation Sector Welcomes the Appointment of Lisa Raitt as Minister of Transport

Original Article By: Aero News Network
<http://news.amco.on.ca/MinRaitt>

The National Airlines Council of Canada (NACC) and the Canadian Airports Council (CAC) congratulate Lisa Raitt on her appointment as Minister of Transport.

"We look forward to continuing the positive and constructive relationship we have developed with Transport Canada over the past several years. Given transportation's importance to the Canadian economy, we also welcome the decision to focus Minister Raitt's mandate on transportation. The NACC will work closely with Minister Raitt and her team as we continue our joint efforts to ensure a competitive and sustainable air transportation sector", said George Petsikas, President of the NACC.

"Minister Raitt is a familiar face in the airports community, her having been instrumental in the early build-up of what is now the Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport," said CAC President Daniel-Robert Gooch. "We look forward to working with Minister Raitt in her new portfolio as Minister of Transport, which will include ongoing efforts surrounding air transport policy, safety and security."

The NACC and the CAC thank Minister Denis Lebel for his time with the Transport portfolio, a time during which industry and government consultation on the future of Canada's air transport sector was notably advanced.

Editor's Note: On behalf of AMCO, we offered our sincere congratulations to Minister Raitt with respect to her recent appointment to the Transportation portfolio. Furthermore, we welcomed her to the Canadian airport community as a whole. Given the strong working ties between AMCO and Transport Canada, Minister Raitt was assured that we will continue to aid one another in our efforts to promote safe and efficient airport operations.

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