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## **SASKATOON JOHN G. DIEFENBAKER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**

### **Board Appointment**

SASKATOON –Saskatoon Airport Authority announces the retirement of a member of its Board of Directors – Mr. Fraser Sutherland.

Fraser has served on the Board since 1995 and played an active role in the transfer process of the Saskatoon Airport from the Government of Canada to the Authority. Fraser provided over thirteen years of strong service to the Board and brought the skills of construction, aviation, business and administration to the Board.

“The Saskatoon Airport Authority has been very fortunate to have had an effective Board of Directors. With significant development on so many fronts, there was a period of intense activity by all members of the Authority’s Board of Directors, and I would like to extend my sincere thanks for Mr. Sutherland’s generous contribution,” stated Patrick Pitka, the Chair of the Saskatoon Airport Authority.

#### ***Appointment of New Board Member***

The City of Saskatoon has nominated Mr. Ben G. Robb to serve as a member of the Board of Directors effective May 2, 2007. Mr. Robb joins the Board replacing Mr. Sutherland, whose term expired at the conclusion of the 2007 public annual meeting.

Ben is a Partner and Structural Engineer with Robb Kullman Engineering LLP of Saskatoon and has all the qualifications and construction skills that the Board is looking for. He is very interested in community service and has a well respected reputation within the construction industry. Ben is a Member of the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of Saskatchewan, and a Past Director of the Association of Consulting Engineers of Saskatchewan.

“On behalf of the Saskatoon Airport Authority, I am pleased to have the opportunity to welcome Mr. Robb to the Board of Directors of the Saskatoon Airport Authority. With his professional expertise and strong community leadership, I am confident that we will continue with the tradition of providing dynamic leadership,” states Patrick Pitka, Chairman of the Board of Directors.

The Saskatoon Airport Authority is a not-for-profit organization whose purpose is to manage and operate the Saskatoon Airport in the best interest of the Community of Saskatoon. Members of the Authority Board are nominated by various organizations – The City of Saskatoon, The Rural Municipality of Corman Park No. 344, Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada, Her Majesty the Queen in Right of the Province of Saskatchewan, and the Saskatoon Airport Authority. There are currently twelve members on the Board of Directors.

