

## **YQR Names New CEO**

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Ken Waschuk, Chair of the Board and Acting CEO, announced today that James Bogusz has been named the new President and CEO of Regina Airport Authority (RAA).

Bogusz has spent the last 10 years at the Victoria Airport Authority, with his most current position being Vice President, Operations & Development. He will officially assume the RAA leadership role on February 1.

"The Board and I are delighted that James will lead the Regina Airport Authority into its next stage of growth," said Waschuk. "James is a highly impressive talent known for his energetic and collaborative leadership style."

"I am honoured to be joining the YQR team and working with the community to grow our airport." said James Bogusz. "The City of Regina and the people we have met are exceptional and I will work hard for our region to build on the airport's success. My wife Melanie and I look forward to growing deep roots in the community and contributing to Regina's long term prosperity."

## About James Bogusz:

James has a deep connection to the City of Regina. During the mid 1970s, James' parents lived on Dewdney Avenue near the RCMP Depot. James' older brother, Chris, was born in Regina during the family's tenure in our city.

Subsequently, the Bogusz family moved to Vancouver Island so that James' father could pursue a new opportunity in his radio career.

In 2001 James founded a technology support business and the Victoria Airport Authority soon became a major client. That close relationship was James' entry into Canada's thriving airport community.

After James sold his business, he joined YYJ in 2007 as an airport manager and worked his way up through the company. He has an outstanding track record of success and brings to YQR a strong background in airport operations, business development, technology and public relations.

James is a true community builder who puts a large focus on working collaboratively with stakeholders. He has championed award winning environmental initiatives, modernized the airport's operational systems and always works to enhance the customer experience. He is currently YYJ's Vice-President, Operations & Development.

James has over 16 years of experience working with airports and is a member of the Canadian Airports Council (CAC) Operations, Safety and Technical Affairs Committee and the CAC Environment Committee. He has served on a variety of committees related to tourism development, technology and transportation. He previously served on the board for the Northwest Chapter of the American Association of Airport Executives (AAAE) and is currently a director with the Saanich Peninsula Chamber of Commerce.

James Bogusz will attend a meeting of Regina Airport Authority's Board of Directors next week — Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, and will be available for media interviews that morning.

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