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REGINA AIRPORT AUTHORITY MOCK DISASTER RESPONSE EXERCISE – MAY 14, 2012

Regina, SK (May 10, 2012): Regina Airport Authority (RAA) will be holding a full scale mock disaster response exercise “Fallen Bird” on Monday, May 14, 2012 commencing at 10:00 am and continuing until approximately 1:00 pm. Regina Airport Authority is mandated by Transport Canada to conduct a full scale exercise every 5 years in order to meet its requirements under the Canadian Aviation Regulations. A simulated airplane crash will assist RAA to confirm and ensure that its Emergency Response Plan meets the overall requirements and remains current and effective.

Under the Emergency Response Plan, Regina Airport Authority works with the following mutual aid agencies:

- Regina Fire and Protective Services
- Regina Police Service (RPS)
- Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region Emergency Medical Services (RQHR EMS)
- RCMP

RAA and these agencies provide the front line response to all emergencies at the Regina International Airport and as such are working in cooperation on this exercise. This exercise will provide an opportunity for RAA Fire Department and RAA Emergency Coordination Centre (ECC) to coordinate and support airport operations and emergency response.

This is a full scale (field) exercise where RAA in cooperation with the airport community, community participants and the Regina area emergency services respond to a simulated plane crash. The aim of the exercise is to produce, as realistically as possible, an emergency scene that will enable RAA and the Regina emergency services agencies to practice their standard operating guidelines, emergency response plan, event coordination, incident command and communication.

Mock Disaster Response Exercise “Fallen Bird” will begin at 10:00 am and continue until approximately 1:00 pm on Monday, May 14, 2012. RAA invites interested media personnel to meet outside the Regina Airport Authority administration office at 9:30 am for a quick briefing on the exercise.

The exercise will proceed on May 14, 2012 regardless of the weather conditions that day.

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About the Regina International Airport

Regina Airport Authority Inc. is a federally registered, not-for-profit corporation, with a 60-year lease to operate the Regina International Airport on behalf of the community and stakeholders. Global air links are provided by our service partners Air Canada, Air Canada Express, WestJet, Delta Air Lines, United Airlines, Air Transat, Sunwing, Express Air and Purolator, offering over 200 direct flights per week to Vancouver, Calgary, Edmonton, Saskatoon, Winnipeg, Toronto, Denver, Chicago, Minneapolis, Ottawa (seasonal – summer) and to seasonal sun destinations including Las Vegas, Phoenix, Mexico and the Caribbean. More details and real time flight information at www.yqr.ca.

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