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## PRESIDENT AND CEO JIM HUNTER APPOINTED HONORARY COLONEL

**Regina, SK (February 15, 2012):** Regina Airport Authority President and CEO Jim Hunter (Brigadier-General retired) has been named the new Honorary Colonel of 15 Wing Moose Jaw.

The recent announcement of his appointment was made by Colonel Marc Bigaouette, 15 Wing Commander, "We are pleased to have Brigadier-General Hunter return to 15 Wing as Honorary Colonel. He brings much corporate knowledge about the Wing with him as well as strong ties to the community. He will be a superb addition to the 15 Wing family."

The Honorary Colonel position is part of a community outreach program that began over a century ago, created to develop the relationship between military units in the Canadian Forces and their neighbouring communities. Through this program, the duties of an honorary colonel are to develop and promote strong ties between military personnel and their local community. Brigadier-General (retired) Hunter formed relationships and gained valuable knowledge of the organization while serving as Wing Commander of 15 Wing from 1995 to 1998 and has been active within Saskatchewan's military community since then.

Bob Linner, Chairman of Regina Airport Authority's Board is pleased with the recent announcement, "The appointment of Jim to Honorary Colonel of 15 Wing Moose Jaw recognizes his exemplary military career and augments his leadership role as CEO of Regina Airport Authority with commitment to building relationships and serving southern Saskatchewan. 15 Wing and the Moose Jaw community are important participants in the success of our mission and vision that will be enhanced by Jim's functioning as Honorary Colonel."

The official ceremony to transfer appointment of this position will be held on March 31 in conjunction with the 88<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Royal Canadian Air Force.

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