

## **News Release**

# Iqaluit Airport Improvement Project Moves Forward Companies Shortlisted for Next Phase

**IQALUIT, Nunavut (October 5, 2012) --** The Government of Nunavut announced today that three qualified teams have been shortlisted to participate in the Request for Proposals (RFP) phase of the competitive selection process to design, build, finance, operate and maintain the Iqaluit International Airport Improvement Project.

Eight teams responded to the Request for Qualifications (RFQ), which closed on August 15, 2012. Following the evaluation of the responses received, the following three teams were shortlisted:

- Arctic Infrastructure Partners
- Mittarvik
- Plenary

Each of the three teams has significant experience in delivering complex infrastructure projects and the teams contain a variety of members who represent local, national and international companies. The shortlist profiles can be found on the Government of Nunavut's website at <a href="https://www.edt.gov.nu.ca">www.edt.gov.nu.ca</a>.

"This is the largest capital project undertaken by the Government of Nunavut and is critical to the transportation infrastructure of this territory," said Bob Long, Deputy Minister of Economic Development & Transportation. "This is an important step forward and these three teams now have a lot of work to do in the next several months to bring this process to completion."

The Government of Nunavut expects to choose a preferred proponent and award a contract in spring 2013. It is anticipated that materials and equipment will be delivered during the 2013 sealift season and that construction will begin in the spring of 2014. The project is expected to be completed in 2017.

The Iqaluit International Airport Improvement Project includes a new airport building; expanded aprons for planes to park; new lighting systems; an upgraded runway; and a new combined services building that will house the fire-fighting vehicles/support equipment and the heavy equipment that maintain the runways and aprons.

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A fairness advisor, Jane Shackell QC, was appointed to monitor the entire competitive selection process—including the evaluation of the RFQ responses—and found the evaluation to be fair and unbiased. The fairness advisor's report will be made available as soon as it is complete, at <a href="https://www.edt.gov.nu.ca">www.edt.gov.nu.ca</a>.

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See backgrounder below for more team details.

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## **BACKGROUNDER**

## Iqaluit International Airport Improvement Project

## Proponent team profiles

Eight teams responded to the RFQ to design, build, finance, operate and maintain the Iqaluit International Airport Improvement Project. After a thorough evaluation of the submissions against the criteria outlined in the RFQ, three teams were shortlisted. In alphabetical order, they are:

## Team: Arctic Infrastructure Partnership

- InfraRed Capital Partners Limited
- Bouygues Building Canada Inc.
- Colas Canada Inc.
- Winnipeg Airports Authority

#### Team: Mittarvik

- Bilfinger Berger Project Investments Inc.
- Kiewit Canada Development Corp.
- Bird Capital Limited
- Peter Kiewit Infrastructure Co
- Bird Design-Build Construction Limited
- Black & McDonald Ltd
- Canadian Base Operators
- Halifax International Airport Authority
- NORR Limited
- Associated Engineering

#### Team: Plenary

- Plenary Infrastructure.
- Edmonton Airports
- PCL Constructors Northern Inc.
- Dexter Construction Company Ltd.
- Honeywell Limited (Canada)
- MMM Group Limited