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Iqaluit International Airport Improvement Project moves forward with selection of preferred proponent

IQALUIT, Nunavut (July 3, 2013) – The Government of Nunavut announced today that Arctic Infrastructure Partners has been selected as the preferred proponent to design, build, finance, operate and maintain the Iqaluit International Airport Improvement Project.

Following the Request for Proposals (RFP) submission and evaluation phase of the competitive selection process, Arctic Infrastructure Partners was selected to continue discussion with the Government of Nunavut towards reaching a contract later this summer. 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 at the end of 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. The project is partially funded by PPP Canada Inc, a federal crown corporation.

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: http://www.edt.gov.nu.ca/apps/Authoring/dspPage.aspx?page=airport_improvement_project

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