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World Parkway Provides New Access to Airport Terminal Building

New access road is designed to accommodate increased vehicle traffic

ST. JOHN'S, NL, Tuesday, December 3, 2013 – St. John's International Airport Authority opened its new access road today with a ribbon-cutting ceremony, a parade of Airport Authority vehicles along the new road and a reception at the Airport Terminal Building. Named World Parkway, this new access road is designed to accommodate the growth in passenger and vehicle traffic that the Airport Authority has experienced over the last ten years, and the nearly 2 million passengers anticipated to be travelling through St. John's International Airport on an annual basis by the year 2020. The opening of this new road will also facilitate the construction of the Airport Terminal Building expansion scheduled to commence in spring 2014.

"As the premier gateway to and from our province, it is important that our facilities are designed to support the increased demand for air travel in our region, thereby supporting the province's economic growth and development. The opening of World Parkway today represents the completion of the first substantial project associated with our 10-year Infrastructure Improvement Plan, and allows us to move forward with the expansion of the Airport Terminal Building," said Peter Avery, Director of Infrastructure and Planning with St. John's International Airport Authority.

The first substantial project in the Airport's Infrastructure Improvement Plan consisted of an expansion to the Airport Terminal Building apron to accommodate overnight parking of five additional aircraft; the addition of 242 vehicle parking stalls in the long-term parking lot; the construction of World Parkway that

will accommodate the increased vehicle traffic at the Airport; and the construction of two new roads adjacent to World Parkway: Navigator Avenue and Jetstream Avenue. These new roads will provide better access for cargo deliveries and airline support operations, and will open the nearly 32 acres of land that is available for development in the area.

Since the Airport's Infrastructure Improvement Plan was announced in February 2011, the Airport Authority has also constructed a 30,000 square foot Ramp Services Building that supports the cargo and ramp services operations at the Airport, and refurbished the passenger loading bridges attached to the Airport Terminal Building.

The entrance to World Parkway is located 600 meters north from the old access road on Portugal Cove Road, and directly across from Viscount Street. Since the opening of this new access road, there is no longer access to the Airport through Major's Path, Airport Road and Craig Dobbin's Way. Passengers are advised to give themselves extra time in getting to the Airport prior to their flights to become familiar with the new road.

St. John's International Airport Authority is a private, not-for-profit organization with the mandate to provide the region with a safe, cost-efficient transportation facility that is a catalyst for economic growth. Under the provisions of a long-term Ground Lease with the Federal Government of Canada, the Airport Authority is responsible for the airport's operations on behalf of the community it serves.