



ST. JOHN'S

International Airport Authority

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MEDIA STATEMENT

First Phase of Airport Terminal Building Expansion Opens July 12th

Tuesday, June 26, 2018 – St. John's International Airport announced today that the much anticipated opening date of the first phase of the expanded Airport Terminal Building will be Thursday, July 12, 2018.

The construction for the first phase of the expansion commenced in late 2014 and has added 145,000 square feet to the Departures area of the Airport Terminal Building. The first flights on the morning of July 12th will operate through the new pre-board screening area, which will be accessible through the first floor adjacent to the check-in area. The new and expanded Departures Lounge will feature additional seating and gate capacity, and more food and beverage and retail outlets.

The existing Airport Terminal Building was designed to accommodate an annual capacity of 900,000 passengers. Since the initial opening in 2002, the annual passenger volume at the Airport has grown to exceed 1.5 million passengers, resulting in a building with many operational constraints and limited services. The expansion that is presently underway is designed to address these issues.

Construction on the second phase will commence in 2019 and add approximately 100,000 square feet to the Arrivals Area. When the expansion project is completed in 2022, the Airport Terminal Building will be more than double its existing size at 420,000 square feet.

St. John's International Airport Authority is a private, not-for-profit, non-share 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.

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