

INTRODUCTION

As Hong Kong prepares to launch construction under the ambitious Port and Airport Development Strategy (PADS) Project, Canada is pleased to showcase its achievements and its talents in the transportation industry. PADS will ensure that Hong Kong strengthens its role as a primary regional transportation hub. Canadian companies are in a position to offer extensive experience and competitive, state-of-the-art products that can contribute materially to the success of PADS.

Canada is the second-largest country in the world. The population resides in large cities, towns, small remote settlements and farms spread across six time zones. Transport has been a vital factor in Canada's development, linking communities, serving markets and bridging vast distances while meeting the challenges of difficult climatic conditions.

Emphasis on air transport has required the construction of airports throughout the country and has seen the gradual implementation of state-of-the-art air traffic control and communications and ground handling facilities. In addition, new and innovative methods of constructing and managing airports are continually being developed. For example, the development of Terminal 3 at Toronto's Lester B. Pearson International Airport has been innovatively structured as a private venture, attracting great interest world-wide.

With a shoreline fronting three oceans and as a major world shipper, Canada has made substantial investments in specialized cargo handling systems and currently boasts superb ports on both the Atlantic and Pacific Coasts. The Canadian technology that allows these harbours to function in an efficient and profitable manner can already be seen at work in Hong Kong, where a Canadian Vessel Traffic System (VTS) is now in operation, helping to manage one of the world's busiest ports.

The Canadian exhibition at APEX '91 includes producers of specialized electronics and air traffic control systems; construction equipment and materials; and professional services, including design, engineering and consulting. It is with pride and confidence that we invite you to visit Canada's stand at APEX '91 to learn more about how Canada is meeting the challenges of transportation infrastructure development into the 21st Century.

Representatives of the companies listed in this brochure and officers of the Commission for Canada in Hong Kong welcome your enquiries and look forward to meeting you at the Canadian Stand.

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