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## CANADIAN FIRMS PARTICIPATE IN ELECTRIC POWER SHOW IN CHINA

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The Honourable Pat Carney, President of the Treasury Board, today participated in the official opening of EP China'88, a major international exhibition on energy and power being held in Beijing, People's Republic of China.

Minister Carney, in her role as the Federal Minister responsible for the Asia Pacific Initiative Advisory Committee, is currently leading a delegation of senior officials and businessmen on a tour of Asia that includes calls in Tokyo, Shanghai, Beijing and Hong Kong. The Asia Pacific Initiative is a Canada/British Columbia program designed to forge new links with Asia Pacific countries in trade, transportation, tourism and culture.

After the exhibition was opened, Miss Carney visited the 11 Canadian exhibitors taking part in the event: Babcock and Wilcox Canada; CAE Electronics; General Electric Canada; Willowglen Systems; DBS Escher Wyss; Hydro-Québec International; Locweld Inc; MIL TRACY; Atomic Energy of Canada; ASEA Brown Boveri; and CEGELEC Industrie Inc.

"Canada has developed equipment and systems to meet our geographic and climatic needs which are similar to conditions in China", said Miss Carney. "The companies participating in EP China'88 have world recognized capabilities in their fields of specialization and have proven export experience".

China is facing rapidly growing power requirements. By 1990, China must generate an additional 105 billion kilowatt hours of electricity over and above the 445 billion it produced in 1986. Canadian companies are keenly interested in supplying equipment and services for such major hydro power projects as Gehe Yan, Longtan, and the Three Gorges.