

Access to site for personnel and vehicles tightens markedly. VIP reception held for E.R.I. (Ted) Allen, first Commissioner General to assume Vancouver residence. Corporate Sponsorship intensifies efforts to maximize sponsorship revenue. Pattison asks Board committee to relax aesthetic controls to facilitate sponsorship program, while Minister Responsible Richmond Claude cautions risk of over-commercialization of Exposition. Acceptable compromise guidelines for sponsorship visibility are established.

Vice President Jeff McNair leaves the Corporation. Entertainment now reports directly to Pattison. Specialized Periods assigned to Vice President, Participants, Klaus Fuerniss. Marketing responsibilities assumed by Board member Ray Dagg. ALRT goes into operation.

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Construction completion team system effective and improving efficiency and coordination. All concessions are contracted and contracts are closing out quickly. Concern persists over lateness of internationals with Brunei and Romania becoming new areas of critical concern. Site accommodation for Malaysia proving very difficult. Construction continues schedule pressure, as union agreements with construction industry expire April 30 and last-minute labour disruption is distinct possibility. Absolute construction deadline set for April 15, as wet weather is hindering progress.

Most exhibit installation activity is underway across the site and Construction Division assumes a general monitoring and fine-tuning mode. The UFO-H2O water system is working and the Rowingbridge is successfully tested. Design begins on the Roundhouse Plaza concept as Locomotive 374 is delivered to site. Bus shelters are installed in the adjacent drop-off lots. The installation of the Cambie Bridge Child's Play area begins. The "Great Moments" signage for the theme plazas is begun. There is much activity in Corporate Sponsorship.

The non-delivery of the van Dusen letter of credit combined with the unavailability of either the Hystar or the Concorde creates a serious problem for the Air Plaza. At month's end, Boeing Aircraft is approached regarding the availability of a 747 nose section.

A plan for an internal audit is established. Vice-President Ward Popenoe will coordinate report with the Auditor-General of British Columbia.