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CANADIAN PARTICIPATION TO ENERGY EXPO '82

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, Dr. Mark MacGuigan, announced today that Canada will participate in the 1982 World Exposition on Energy to be held in Knoxville, Tennessee. The exposition is expected to attract 11 million visitors between May 1 and October 13, 1982.

Energy Expo '82 has been registered by the International Bureau of Expositions (BIE) in Paris, and is the first exposition to be held on the theme of energy. Canada has been active as a host and participant in BIE registered events: Montreal's Expo '67, Expo '70 Osaka and the planned 1986 World Exposition (TRANSPO '86) to be held in Vancouver.

Canada will join at least fifteen other countries in Knoxville in exhibiting its particular energy expertise. The nature of the Canadian exhibition will be determined in the coming weeks in consultation with other sponsoring departments, the provinces and public and private energy enterprises.

The Canadian participation at Energy Expo '82 will be co-ordinated by the World Exhibitions Programme of the Department of External Affairs. It is being jointly sponsored by the Ministry of State for Economic Development; the Departments of Industry, Trade and Commerce; Energy, Mines and Resources; and External Affairs. The estimated cost of the project is \$3.5 million.

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