



Major Contribution by the Government of Canada for the Renewal of the Permanent Exhibition in the Grand Gallery of the Angus Pavilion at Exporail

Saint-Constant, Wednesday, January 24th, 2018 – Mr. C. Stephen Cheasley, President of Exporail and the Canadian Railroad Historical Association (CRHA), is pleased to announce a major contribution by the Government of Canada in the amount of \$210,000, from the Canada Cultural Spaces Fund (CCSF), for the renewal of the permanent exhibition in the Grand Gallery of the Angus Pavilion at Exporail. Represented by the Member of Parliament for La Prairie, Mr. Jean-Claude Poissant, the Department of Canadian Heritage reiterated its financial support for Exporail which will enable it to continue to fulfill its mission of preserving and showcasing Canada's railway heritage. In all it does, Exporail, the Canadian Railway Museum has as its mission the promotion of knowledge and understanding of Canadian railway heritage's important contribution to the past, present and future development of Canadian society.

On behalf of the Exporail and CRHA, C. Stephen Cheasley, President of Exporail and the Canadian Railroad Historical Association (CRHA), says : "We are very pleased that as Canada celebrates its 150th anniversary, Canadian Heritage is participating with others in the funding of the \$1 million renewal of the exhibition in the Grand Hall of the Angus Pavilion at Exporail, the Canadian Railway Museum in Saint Constant / Delson, Quebec. This will permit the public to learn even more about the importance of railways to Canada's past, present and future in exciting and creative ways."

Mrs. Nadine Cloutier, Executive Director of Exporail and CRHA : "This grant will permit Exporail to invest in lighting and display equipment in order to present our collection in more innovative ways. The diversity of the proposed themes and related cultural programming will enhance our visitor experience."

Mr Jean-Claude Poissant, MP for La Prairie, says: "I am happy that this renewal of the permanent exhibition will improve the content and visual presentation of the collection. These additions will without doubt increase attendance and diversify the audience which will come to visit this fascinating museum, which is such a point of pride for the region."

About the Canada Cultural Spaces Fund (CCSF) from Canadian Heritage

The Canada Cultural Spaces Fund (CCSF) supports the improvement of physical conditions for artistic creativity and innovation. The fund supports the improvement, renovation and construction of arts and heritage facilities, as well as the acquisition of specialized equipment. By supporting improvements to our country's cultural spaces, the CCSF increases access for Canadians to performing arts, visual arts, media arts, museum collections and heritage displays.

About Exporail

Exporail is a project of the Canadian Railroad Historical Association, a non-profit organization. Exporail's regular activities are funded in part by the ministère de la Culture et des Communications du Québec and benefit from the support of Ville de Saint-Constant and Ville de Delson. Exporail is supported by the Department of Canadian Heritage and Employment and Social Development Canada, for special projects. Financial support is also provided by Bibliothèque et Archives nationales du Québec, Emploi-Québec Montérégie, Municipalité régionale de comté (MRC) de Roussillon, CN, Canadian Pacific, VIA Rail Canada, Canadian Railroad Historical Association Foundation (CRHA), Réseau de transport métropolitain, Société de transport de Montréal (STM), YMCA of Greater Toronto and Société des musées du Québec (SMQ).