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Air Canada to Open Maple Leaf Lounge at Saskatoon's John G. Diefenbaker International Airport This Fall

MONTREAL, May 1, 2018 /CNW Telbec/ - Air Canada today announced it will open a Maple Leaf Lounge at Saskatoon's John G. Diefenbaker International Airport this fall. It will be the airline's 17th Maple Leaf Lounge in Canada, and construction is currently underway.

"We look forward to opening our newest Maple Leaf Lounge in Saskatoon later this year which will offer our eligible customers an elevated airport experience, with a quiet place to relax or work before their flight," said Benjamin Smith, Air Canada's President, Passenger Airlines.

"Skyxe Saskatoon Airport is delighted to partner with Air Canada to bring a Maple Leaf Lounge to Saskatoon. We know that many customers will enjoy the highly-anticipated lounge experience," said Stephen Maybury, President and CEO of Skyxe Saskatoon Airport.

Air Canada's Maple Leaf Lounge at Skyxe Saskatoon Airport will be located post security near gate 5. It will be 137 square meters (1,474 square feet) with seat capacity for 40 customers. Additional details will be announced when the lounge opens.

As a leading global carrier, Air Canada offers eligible customers access to 22 Maple Leaf Lounges worldwide including 16 currently at Canadian airports, plus lounges at New York-LaGuardia, New York-Newark, Los Angeles, London Heathrow, Frankfurt and Paris. More information about Air Canada's award-winning Maple Leaf Lounges including eligibility is here

This summer, Air Canada will have up to 17 daily flights representing up to 1,320 seats departing Saskatoon, with six flights to Toronto, one to Ottawa, two to Winnipeg, four to Calgary, one to Edmonton, three to Vancouver. Since 2012, Air Canada has increased available seat capacity from Saskatoon by approximately 15%.

About Air Canada

Air Canada is Canada's largest domestic and international airline serving more than 200 airports on six continents. Canada's flag carrier is among the 20 largest airlines in the world and in 2017 served more than 48 million customers. Air Canada provides scheduled passenger service directly to 64 airports in Canada, 60 in the United States and 98 in Europe, the Middle East, Africa, Asia, Australia, the Caribbean, Mexico, Central America and South America. Air Canada is a founding member of Star Alliance, the world's most comprehensive air transportation network serving 1,300 airports in 191 countries. Air Canada is the only international network carrier in North America to receive a Four-Star ranking according to independent U.K. research firm Skytrax, which also named Air Canada the 2017 Best Airline in North America. For more information, please visit: aircanada.com/media, follow @AirCanada on Twitter and join Air Canada on Facebook.

About Skyxe Saskatoon Airport

Skyxe Saskatoon Airport is operated by Saskatoon Airport Authority. Skyxe Saskatoon Airport is a partner in developing Saskatoon and Saskatchewan by delivering the most valued airport experience in Canada. Saskatoon Airport saw 1,463,410 passengers in 2017, the second busiest year ever with an average five-year growth rate of 2.1%

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