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Aircraft De-Icing Fluid Recycling Milestone

January 6, 2017 (Truro, Nova Scotia, Canada) – Inland Technologies, a provider of airport environmental services throughout North America, announces the first delivery of Type I aircraft de-icing fluid (ADF) manufactured with recycled glycol is now in use at St. John’s International Airport, Newfoundland.

“The glycol contained in the Type I ADF is generated from de-icing operations at both St. John’s and Halifax,” said Roger Langille, President and CEO of Inland Technologies. “It is recovered as part of an environmental program that includes partial recycling at St. John’s International Airport and a closed loop system at Halifax International Airport.”

The tanker is the first delivery of a reusable product back to St. John’s, proving the value of the innovative ADF collection program that the airport has in place to ensure environmental sustainability.

After an aircraft is de-iced, the spent de-icing fluid is collected using specialized vacuum trucks and processed to a raw grade level at St. John’s. This concentrated product is then distilled and blended back to Type I ADF at Halifax.

“This delivery is a milestone for our Atlantic Canadian team,” said Langille. “We are proud of our role in promoting environmental sustainability while also providing a closed-loop glycol recycling service to the aviation sector in St. John’s and Halifax.”

The de-icing fluid in the tanker is sufficient to de-ice about 100, 737 aircraft in average snow conditions. It will be used this season and collected once again, continuing the recycling process.

Since 2000, Inland has collected approximately seven million litres of spent aircraft de-icing fluid effluent every season at the St. John’s airport, with a total of 120 million litres collected since 2000.

The Inland Group of companies is a full-service airport environmental compliance and ground support specialist. Services include aircraft de-icing application services, spent aircraft de-icing fluid management and wastewater programs, manufacturing of aircraft de-icing fluid and ground handling services. The Inland Group of Companies currently operates at 50 airports worldwide.

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