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## **ATCO CONTINUES LEGACY OF SUPPORTING CANADIAN ATHLETES WITH 2007 CANADA WINTER GAMES SPONSORSHIP**

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CALGARY, Alberta – The ATCO Group of Companies will continue to support Canadian athletes by providing people, products and services as an Official Supplier to the 2007 Canada Winter Games. ATCO will supply modular units to sport venue sites, electrical service to power the action, security at the Athletes Village and laptop and desktop computers to keep the information flowing smoothly when the 2007 Canada Winter Games are held for the first time “North of 60” in Whitehorse.

“The commitment and skills of ATCO will help us stage exceptional events and showcase the North to the rest of Canada,” said Piers McDonald, President of the Games Society. “With their long history in Canada’s North, we are very pleased to have ATCO as an Official Supplier providing the high quality services we need.”

“The 2007 Winter Games allows ATCO the opportunity to engage the people of our companies in the North to celebrate the 40th anniversary of this great Canadian sporting event,” Nancy Southern, President & Chief Executive Officer, ATCO Group said at a media conference.

ATCO has a long history of sponsoring national and international sporting events and young athletes around the world. Some of the events ATCO has supported include the 1978 Commonwealth Games and 1983 Universiade Games in Edmonton; 1988 Winter Olympics in Calgary; 1990 Goodwill Games in Seattle; 1994 Commonwealth Games in Victoria, B.C. and the 2000 Summer Olympics in Australia.

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ATCO companies participating in the 2007 Canada Winter Games include:

- ATCO Structures, exclusive supplier of temporary modular units on site during the Games;
- ATCO Frontec, which will provide bonded security personnel at the Athlete's Village;
- ATCO I-Tek, which will provide desktop and laptop computers for Games staff and operations, and
- Yukon Electrical Limited, which has powered Whitehorse since 1901, will provide electrical services to the Games.

Additionally, as part of the sponsorship that combines in-kind services with a cash contribution, ATCO has purchased the naming rights to a temporary facility which will host the opening and closing ceremonies and gold medal hockey games. This structure will be built next fall on the Whitehorse waterfront.

The 2007 Canada Winter Games will be held February 24 to March 10, 2007, with an estimated 3,500 athletes, coaches and officials supported by more than 4,500 volunteers. In the true northern tradition of friendship and hospitality, the Yukon, Northwest Territories and Nunavut have joined together to make the Games a Pan Northern celebration.

Since the first Games in 1967 in Quebec City, more than 50,000 young athletes have participated in the Canada Games, which are held every two years, alternating between winter and summer.

ATCO Group is an Alberta based, worldwide organization of companies with more than 7,000 employees actively engaged in Power Generation, Utilities, and Global Enterprises & Industrials. More information about ATCO can be found on its website, [www.atco.com](http://www.atco.com).

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