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On the Way to the Meliadine Project

Tessier Limited will be at the Meliadine project of Agnico Eagle Mines Limited in early summer. The gold mine project in the Kivallig region of Nunavut, north of Manitoba, will be the fourth major mining project in which Tessier will participate as a supplier of lifting equipment and services administrator.

In line with the Canadian Royalties mining sites (2008-2013, nickel mine), Bloom Lake (2009-2014, iron mine) and Stornoway (2012-2017, diamond mine), Tessier Ltd will contribute through the expertise of its experienced team as well as with its expertise and knowledge of this type of project.

Agnico Eagle Mines Limited is a Canadian company that specializes primarily in gold mining, and operates eight mines located in Canada, Finland and Mexico. For this project, a joint venture company was established with M & T Enterprises Limited, a subsidiary of Sakku Investments Corporation, an Inuit-owned property. SAKKU Investments Corporation is an Inuit economic development association whose primary goal is to promote work for Inuit and the protection of the environment in Nunavut. This partnership already allows us to foresee many opportunities to participate in future projects and also take an active part in the economic development of Nunavut.



The Meliadine advanced-stage gold project in Nunavut Territory, northern Canada is Agnico Eagle's second major project in Canada's Low Arctic, following the Meadowbank mine. Meliadine is our largest development project based on reserves and resources.

A dozen units of the equipment fleet that will be allocated for this project will be mobilized to the Port of Bécancour in the coming weeks; from which they will be loaded aboard the cargo ships of Groupe Desgagnés Inc., outgoing for the Arctic.

It is with great enthusiasm and pride that Tessier Limited will participate in this great project and in the development of the communities of Nunavut.

Weight Rental at the McCormick Hydroelectric Power Plant

One of the little known services provided by Tessier Limited is the rental of weights and platforms for lifting tests. This service was recently used as part of a repair at the McCormick hydroelectric power plant. A platform and weights were leased to perform lifting tests on the overhead crane at full capacity and overload. For this project, Tessier Limited provided 205,000 kg of weight, including its lifting platform with a capacity of 200 tons, as well as all rigging elements required for testing.

Tessier Ltd own two lifting platforms with capacities of 100 and 200 tons and a multitude of certified weights from 1,000 kg to 29,000 kg totaling almost 460 tons. Tessier also has two dynamometers (75T and 85T) and numerous rigging elements, which can be adapted to various situations. Tessier also offers lifting engineering services, to help in choosing weights, platforms, rigging elements as well as platform loading plans.

A Word About the McCormick Hydroelectric Power Plant

Built in 1952, the McCormick hydroelectric power plant has seven turbine generator units with a capacity of 235 MW. This private power plant was built by the Quebec & Ontario Paper Company and the Canadian British Aluminum Company and is currently owned by the Manicouagan Hydroelectric Partnership Corporation (40% Alcoa, 60% Hydro-Québec). The rolling powerhouse crane has a capacity of 180 short tons on the main winch and 25 short tons on the auxiliary winch. Unusual: built by Dominion Bridge, its main beams are fully riveted.





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Boreal Cranes in Partnership with Man's Best Friend at the Taïga Challenge 2017



From March 17th to 19th, in Fermont, the 4th edition of the Taïga Challenge 200 was held, the crown jewel of the Fermont Carnival week, renamed in 2017, Défi-Taïga.

The Taïga Challenge is nothing less than of the longest dog sled races in Eastern Canada. For this fourth edition, the organization had dared to dream big. The race was extended by more than 30 km to reach 230 km.

For a second consecutive year, Boreal Cranes wished to demonstrate its involvement in the community by supporting this major activity. In addition to financial aid, Boreal Cranes provided a logistical support by supplying a marine container for the storage of equipment, which was greatly appreciated by the organization.

Boreal Cranes was also there to present a prize at the closing gala on Sunday, March 19th. In fact, it was at this event that we learned that for the 5th and upcoming edition, the Taïga Challenge 2018 could be doubled or even quadrupled in order to become a qualifying stage for the *West Yukon*.

New Employees

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Occupational Health and Safety Advisor – Boreal Cranes Inc., Wabush

In January, Mrs. Wanda Pardy-Watkins joined our team has Occupational Health and Safety Advisor at our branch office in Wabush for Boreal Cranes Inc.

Mrs. Pardy-Watkins will be responsible for all health and safety related activities at our facility as well as for work completed at our customer sites. She will collaborate with Tessier Ltd. staff toward a common approach in health and safety in the crane sector.

Mrs. Pardy-Watkins graduated in 2011 after a 2 year program in Occupational Health & Safety. After which, she worked for different companies in the mining and energy sectors in Labrador.

We are pleased to welcome Mrs. Pardy-Watkins. Her professional experience, training and skills are assets that offer excellent support to our team and to our clients.



In February, Mr. Jean-François Lespérance joined our team has Controller – Financial and Administrative Management at the office in Baie-Comeau for Tessier Limited.

Mr. Lespérance's main functions are to oversee budget planning as well as the management and administration of Tessier and Boreal Cranes' accounting systems, working towards the development of global strategies for both companies.

Mr. Lespérance holds a technical college diploma in administration (finance option). Former Tax Auditor for Revenu Québec, he also has worked as a Mortgage Development Director for Desjardins and the National Bank. In 2010, he joined Fortin & Lévesque Inc. as Controller. More recently, he was a shareholder, Controller and Project Manager for Construction Fortin & Lévesque Inc.

We are pleased to welcome Mr. Lespérance. His professional experience, skills and abilities are assets that offer excellent support to our team and to our clients.

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