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TransAqua, the Greater Moncton Wastewater Commission, to hold 2014 Annual General Meeting on March 20

RIVERVIEW, N.B. – TransAqua, the Greater Moncton Wastewater Commission, announced today that its 2014 annual general meeting (AGM) will be held on Friday, March 20, beginning at 11:30 a.m. in the lobby of the Capitol Theatre, 811 Main Street, Moncton.

Commission members will update the community on what was achieved over the course of 2014 and what is on the horizon for 2015 and beyond, including an \$80-million upgrade to TransAqua's wastewater treatment plant in order to meet new federal regulations. The upgrade will be one of the largest municipal infrastructure projects in Greater Moncton's history. A decision on how the project will be financed is expected to be made by summer.

Residents of Moncton, Dieppe and Riverview are invited to attend the event, as well as environmental organizations, suppliers and any other interested stakeholders and citizens.

"We really look forward to any opportunity to meet with the public and stakeholders, whether it be at regular presentations to municipal councils or community groups, or open houses and tours at our wastewater treatment facility in Riverview and compost facility in Moncton," said Winston Pearce, Commission chair.

"Our goal is to provide environmental stewardship that will have a positive impact for our community," he said. "A significant part of achieving that goal involves being open and transparent about how we're investing the money we receive from ratepayers in the three municipalities."

The AGM will feature presentations by Commission members and committees with an opportunity for questions from the public and media. Financial results for 2014 will also be released at that time.

TransAqua / Greater Moncton Wastewater Commission (www.transaqua.ca) was established in 1983 to support the wastewater collection and treatment needs of the Dieppe, Moncton and Riverview tri-community. Since then, it has developed a 31-kilometre collection network and a treatment facility to best deliver on this mandate. It has also become a leader in the reuse of biosolids through the generation of type 'AA' compost (the highest grade currently achieved in Canada) as opposed to disposal in a landfill site. The organization is now positioning itself to further upgrade its facilities to provide an enhanced secondary treatment approach that will allow it to meet recently introduced mandatory federal regulations prior to the 2020 deadline.

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