Machinists Apply for Single Employer Status with Air Canada Rouge and Sky Regional

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Toronto, ON – The International Association of Machinist and Aerospace Workers – IAM – has made two separate applications to the Canada Industrial Relations Board, for single employer status between Air Canada and Air Canada rouge (ACrouge) and between Air Canada and Sky Regional Airlines.

Sky Regional is a company that was created to carry out Air Canada flying on Air Canada routes using Air Canada aircraft and non-union labour. ACrouge is a wholly owned subsidiary of Air Canada that was created by Air Canada to carry out Air Canada flying at lower labour costs. "Under Air Canada's control and direction aircraft and routes are being transferred to ACrouge and Sky Regional Airlines. We have filed these applications to allow us to protect the work done by our members and their jobs at Air Canada' explained IAM District Lodge 140 President and Directing General Chairperson Fred Hospes.

The IAM is the largest union at Air Canada representing more than 8,800 workers in over 40 job classifications including line maintenance mechanics, auto mechanics, baggage handlers, cargo agents, aircraft cleaners, cabin groomers, millwrights, electricians and technical writers.

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