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## **Air Canada to launch non-stop Fort McMurray-Vancouver flights, continues non-stop Kelowna-Toronto seasonal service**

VANCOUVER, Oct. 2 /CNW Telbec/ - Air Canada announced today that beginning January 5, 2009, it will offer the only daily non-stop service linking Vancouver and Fort McMurray. In addition, Air Canada will restart its popular non-stop weekend flights between Kelowna and Toronto during the upcoming winter ski season, onboard Air Canada's new 93-seat Embraer 190 aircraft.

"With the introduction of the only non-stop flights between Fort McMurray and Vancouver, Air Canada is responding to strategic opportunities in this growing market," said Daniel Shurz, Vice President, Network Planning. "This new non-stop service between Vancouver and Fort McMurray will complement our flights from the energy centre of Alberta to Toronto, Edmonton and Calgary. We are also pleased to continue our popular weekend non-stop service between our main Toronto hub and Kelowna this winter season, linking the BC interior to our worldwide network."

Fort McMurray-Vancouver - flights depart Fort McMurray at 15:25, arriving Vancouver at 16:25. Flights depart Vancouver at 12:00, arriving Fort McMurray at 14:55. Flights have been timed to ensure convenient connections to and from points across British Columbia and the US west coast. Flights will be operated by Air Canada Jazz with 50-seat Bombardier regional jet aircraft. With this newest flight, Air Canada will offer a total of 14 daily flights from Fort McMurray to Calgary, Edmonton, Vancouver and Toronto.

Kelowna-Toronto - beginning December, flights operate on Saturdays and Sundays, and will depart Kelowna at 11:55, arriving Toronto at 19:05. Flights depart Toronto at 09:15, arriving Kelowna at 11:04. Flights have been timed to ensure convenient connections to and from Eastern and Atlantic Canada, as well as a number of destinations in the US east coast, including Boston and New York.

With 335 non-stop flights each week from Alberta and British Columbia to Ontario, Quebec and Atlantic Canada, Air Canada offers the most non-stop flights connecting Western and Eastern Canada.

Montreal-based Air Canada provides scheduled and charter air transportation for passengers and cargo to more than 170 destinations on five continents. Canada's flag carrier is the 14th largest commercial airline in the world and serves more than 33 million customers annually with a fleet consisting of more than 340 aircraft. Air Canada is a founding member of Star Alliance, providing the world's most comprehensive air transportation network.

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