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Lowes Fund Breakfast 2014

Metrolinx risk manager to speak about transit risk and insurance

(Toronto, ON – October 15, 2014) – Derek Tang, manager of risk and insurance for Metrolinx, a crown agency created to improve the coordination and integration of all modes of transportation in the Greater Toronto and Hamilton area, will speak this month at the Insurance Institute of Ontario’s 21st annual Lowes Fund Breakfast.

The Lowes Fund Breakfast 2014 will be held at The National Club in Toronto on Wednesday, October 29 at 8 a.m.

Proceeds of the breakfast seminar will go to the John E. Lowes Insurance Education Fund, which awards financial assistance to students completing a post-secondary education – including property and casualty (p&c) insurance studies. The 2014 recipients of the John E. Lowes and Toronto Insurance Conference scholarships will receive their awards at the breakfast.

Tang will discuss risks related to public transit and the types of insurance programs used to support Metrolinx’s operations and capital projects. He is passionate about the role risk management plays in the success of his and any business, particularly start-ups.

“As risk management professionals, we should recognize our key roles in contributing to the success of different business areas within our companies,” he says, “and hence our need to develop strong business acumen to be highly effective in what we do.”

Tang leads the ERM Office at Metrolinx, which oversees the development and implementation of the transit agency’s enterprise risk management (ERM) program and framework. Metrolinx moves tens of thousands of residents and commuters safely and efficiently within Canada’s largest and busiest freeway network each and every day.

About the John E. Lowes Insurance Education Fund: The fund is named after John E. Lowes, BA, FIIC, CIB (Ont), a founding partner of Irwin, Sargent & Lowes Insurance Brokers in Peterborough, Ontario. Lowes was a Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Insurance Institute of Canada, a President of the Insurance Brokers Association of Ontario and a President of the

Insurance Institute of Ontario. This foundation is named in his honour as a tribute to his continuing dedication to professionalism in the property & casualty insurance industry.

About the Insurance Institute of Ontario: The Insurance Institute of Ontario is a premier provider of educational products and services to the property and casualty insurance industry. Operating under the umbrella of the Insurance Institute of Canada, the Insurance Institute of Ontario is a not-for-profit organization representing more than 20,000 members. Its programs are consistent with the standardized curriculum offered across Canada in both English and French.

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