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Subject: 2022 Safety Awards – Simulator Training Program and Facilities

Dear Mr. Landry and Mr. Cooke,

We are pleased to advise that VIA Rail Canada Inc.'s *Simulator Training Program and Facilities* have been selected for the 2022 Safety Awards of the Passenger (intercity, tourist, commuter) – employee incidents category.

The Railway Association of Canada's (RAC) Evaluation Committee scored your initiative using a weighted evaluation system and concluded that it merited an award which breaks the standard mold of training student Locomotive Engineers, as it expands its focus beyond conventional train handling principles.

We thank VIA Rail Canada Inc. for participating in this year's 2022 Safety Awards and for your continued commitment to develop and maintain industry best practices in safety and we congratulate you on this important recognition from your peers in the industry.

We hope that you will both be able to attend our awards ceremony that will take place during the RAC's annual holiday reception on **November 28, 2022, from 5:00 pm – 7:30 pm in the O'Born room at the National Arts Centre in Ottawa.**

The RAC will be reaching out to invite each winner to the holiday reception and awards ceremony in the coming weeks. During the reception, we would like to interview each of you to discuss in greater detail your winning initiative so the RAC can post on social media channels to help give more attention to your organizations dedication to safety and to making the rail industry safer each year.

Sincerely,



Marc Brazeau
President and Chief Executive Officer

cc: Ms. E.D. Veilleux, VIA Rail Canada Inc.
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