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Mr. Larry Lachance's passion for aviation began as a young man when he visited his father, a diesel mechanic, working at what was then called Dorval Airport. Shortly thereafter he was hired as a clerk at the airport and found himself working on the same floor as the Montreal Air Traffic Control Centre. One day his boss asked him, "Why don't you apply for air traffic control. It might be good for you". He qualified as an air traffic controller on September 22, 1977.

After several years as an operational controller, Mr. Lachance moved into management. He eventually served as Operations Manager for the Montreal Area Control Centre and then General Manager for the Montreal FIR, before moving to Ottawa to the Company's Head Office.

In 2004, Mr. Lachance was appointed Director, Safety, Evaluations and Investigations with the responsibility for operational safety and quality assurance functions, including performance evaluation, reviewing and monitoring system or procedure changes, and ensuring compliance with safety policies and regulations.

As Assistant Vice-President, Operational Support, his current portfolio includes: Safety Investigation and Evaluations, Operational Systems Integration, Air Traffic Services Standards and Procedures, and the Company's National Operations Centre. Mr. Lachance is also responsible for coordination with external agencies on arrangements and agreements involving air traffic services.