

## News Release

January 1 2010

### **The Maintenance And Ramp Safety Society (MARSS) is no longer a non-profit society**

The Maintenance And Ramp Safety Society (MARSS) no longer exists as a non-profit society. It is being run by the treasurer who, as stated in the received Email below, has taken the MARSS funds to pay for, he alleges, owed back rent since 1998.

**Dear Gordon**

**On January 24, 2009 I send a letter notifying yourself and the directors of MARSS that The society is going to be charged with rent back dating to January 1,1998 @ \$ 450.00 per month. Total indebttness to Dec.31, 2008 is \$ 59600.00, of which \$ 44500.00 has been paid.**

**Outstanding \$ 15100.00 plus rent for 19140 38<sup>th</sup> Ave @ \$ 350.00 per month of \$ 2100.00,**

**Which was paid in June 2009.**

**In order to keep MARSS operating to meet expenses, I have furthermore advanced funds**

**of \$ 11000.00. This brings the total indebttness of MARSS to \$ 26100.00 as of June 30,2009.**

**As I have stated in the letter of January 24, 2009, MARSS is being operated under my jurisdiction.**

**In the last six months not one person (directors) has come to even discuss this matter with me. As you keep asking to have a board meeting of MARSS , I suggest the following:**

**I will meet with you to discuss the above situation in a private meeting at an agreeable date.**

**You can contact me at 604-417-1489 or by email at "andre@silindustries.com"**

7/8/2009

In light of this plus the fact that the organization has no or few members remaining, the five directors have resigned from the organization. See attached letter of resignation.

September 24, 2009

Mr. Michel Duchesneau  
Compliance Office  
Industry Canada Corporations Canada  
365 Laurier Ave West. 10<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Ottawa ON K1A 0C8

Re: Corporation #3524744 Maintenance And Ramp Safety Society (MARSS)

Dear Sir

We are writing to voice our concern re the above society and to officially resign as directors of the above named Society.

An annual general meeting has not been held since September 4, 2007 at which time it was reported that approximately \$40,000.00 was in the Society bank account. (See minutes of Annual General Meeting – September 4, 2007)

The Secretary of the Society, Andre Schellekens has since decided to take over the Society and retain the Society funds as payment of rent dating back to January 1, 1998. (See Email dated July 8, 2009 to Gordon Dupont)

He further states that he has loaned the Society \$11,000.00 to keep it going and the Society now owes him \$26,000.00 as of June 30, 2009.

At no time were the directors ever aware that rent was owed and at no time entered into an agreement to pay the Secretary rent.

Mr. Bill Carter, a director since 2005 has benefited by a ½ ad placed in his magazine each publication. A ¼ page ad was agreed to on a trail basis but somehow it was increased in size and cost.

The president, Mr. Larry O'Brian refuses to return phone calls or emails to call a meeting and uses the Society to obtain outside work.

The Society no longer has any paid up members and is no longer operating as a non-profit Society or in accordance with its bylaws.

In light of the above the following directors do not wish to be associated with the Society and therefore officially resign.

Gordon Dupont

604 526-3993 (Wk)

Bob Rorison

778 928-2486 (Cel)

Bill Foyle

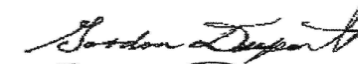
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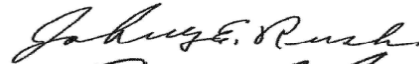
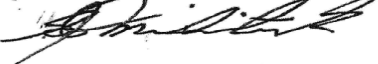
Johnny Rush

253 863-6537 (Hm)

Spence Mikituk

604 943-5461 (Hm)



Unfortunately, Gordon Dupont and System Safety Services are no longer associated with MARSS as it has failed to hold an Annual General meeting since Sept. of 2007, not held a directors meeting since Nov. 2007 and no longer abides by its bylaws.

System Safety Services will continue to develop and promote materials that center around reducing human error using the "Dirty Dozen" human factors model developed by myself in 1993.

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