

GREEN ACTIONS IN THE MONTRÉAL LOGISTIC CHECKLIST FOR COP 11 & THE 4TH SUMMIT

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

FIRST, I WOULD LIKE TO SINCERELY THANK YOUR ORGANIZATION FOR THIS INVITATION. DURING THE FOUR PAST MONTHS IN MONTRÉAL, I ACTED AS THE LOGISTICS COORDINATOR FOR COP 11 AND THE FOURTH MUNICIPAL LEADERS SUMMIT ON CLIMATE CHANGE FOR THE CITY. IT WAS A WONDERFUL EXPERIENCE, AND IT IS WITH GREAT PLEASURE THAT I HAVE ACCEPTED THE INVITATION TO SPEAK ABOUT MY EXPERIENCE.

MONTRÉAL WAS A HOST-CITY WITH A SUPPORTING ROLE TO PLAY FOR DIFFERENT ORGANIZERS, AGENCIES AND PARTNERS. AS YOU CAN SEE, THE TABLE OF CONTENTS HAS NINETEEN (19) DIFFERENT POINTS, EACH INVOLVING GREEN ACTIONS. THROUGHOUT MY PRESENTATION, I WILL DESCRIBE SOME FIFTY (50) DIFFERENT GREEN ACTIONS THAT WERE UNDERTAKEN DURING COP 11 AND THE FOURTH SUMMIT

BUT ACTION IS THE KEY WORD, SO LET'S GET RIGHT TO IT!

1- CONTEXT

KEEP IN MIND THAT COP 11 WAS THE BIGGEST EVENT TO BE HELD IN MONTRÉAL SINCE THE 1976 OLYMPIC GAMES. THIS EVENT INVOLVED:

- ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SIX (186) ACTIVITIES OR PARALLEL EVENTS;

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- EIGHTY-FIVE (85) DIFFERENT LOCATIONS;
- ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-NINE (189) COUNTRIES;
- NINE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED AND FORTY-ONE (9,541) ACCREDITED DELEGATES;
- THREE HUNDRED (300) MUNICIPAL LEADERS;
- NINE HUNDRED (900) JOURNALISTS;
- ...AND DURING TWO SHORT WEEKS!

WE ARE ALSO TALKING ABOUT PARTNERS WHO GUARANTEED THE SUCCESS OF THE EVENT. PARTNERS LIKE:

- ICLEI: LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FOR SUSTAINABILITY;
- UNFCCC: UNITED NATIONS FRAMEWORK FOR CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE;
- CITY OF MONTRÉAL;
- CSUNCCC: CANADIAN SECRETARIAT FOR THE UNITED NATIONS CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE «REFERRED AS «MONTRÉAL 2005»;
- GOVERNMENT OF CANADA;
- UNEP: UNITED NATION ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAM;
- FCM: FEDERATION OF CANADIAN MUNICIPALITIES;
- METROPOLIS;
- GOVERNMENT OF QUÉBEC;

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- NGOE : NON GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION IN ENVIRONMENT (WITH ÉQUITERRE AS A FACILITATOR).

AND LEADING UP TO THE CONFERENCE, YOU WILL NOTICE «WORK IN PROGRESS» SINCE THERE WERE:

- THIRTY-SIX (36) DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS PLANNED IN SEPTEMBER.
- AND ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SIX (186) ACTIVITIES OR EVENTS THAT WERE SCHEDULED THREE WEEKS BEFORE THE BEGINNING OF COP 11, AT THE END OF OCTOBER !

AMONG THE ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SIX (186) DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES, THE TWO MAJOR ONES WERE, OF COURSE, COP 11 AT PALAIS DES CONGRÈS AND THE FOURTH MUNICIPAL LEADERS SUMMIT ON CLIMATE CHANGE AT THE MOUNT ROYAL CENTRE.

2- «RECYCLED STAFF» AND VOLUNTEERS (FOR THE EVENT ONLY!)

THE TWO KEY ELEMENTS THAT MADE COP 11 AND THE FOURTH SUMMIT SUCCESSFUL ARE THE DEDICATION OF THE EMPLOYEES WHO VOLUNTEERED TO WORK ON THESE SPECIAL PROJECTS AND THE TEAMWORK INVOLVED WITH WORKING WITH OUR PARTNERS.

EVERYONE HAD TO HAVE A «COUNTERPART» OR, AS I CALLED THEM, A *CLONE*, IN CASE OF SICKNESS ... DOUBLE SHIFT ... OR ... JUST FOR FUN!

SPECIAL SUPPORT TOOLS, LIKE ORTHOPHOTOS, WERE PROVIDED BY THE GEOMATICS DIVISION OF THE CITY OF MONTRÉAL FOR ALL OF OUR PARTNERS, NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL, BY AS EARLY AS MID-SEPTEMBER .

IMAGINE HOW PRACTICAL THIS NEW *ORTHOPHOTOS* TECHNOLOGY WAS FOR THE PARTNERS! THEY COULD PLAN THEIR EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES AS IF THEY WERE IN MONTRÉAL, EVEN FROM HALFWAY AROUND THE WORLD - SAVING ON TIME, TRAVELLING AND LONG-DISTANCE PHONE CALLS!

3- BUDGET AND ADMINISTRATION

THE TOTAL COST OF THE EVENT WAS ESTIMATED AT APPROXIMATELY SEVENTY (70) MILLION EUROS.

FOR THE CITY OF MONTRÉAL, THIS EVENT WAS «MODERATE AND DISTINGUISHED» WITH ONLY TWO HUNDRED AND EIGHTY THOUSAND (280,000) EUROS PAID *OUT OF POCKET*. THE CONTRIBUTION OF THE MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENTS WAS SIMILAR.

OVER ALL, IT WAS LESS THAN ONE PERCENT (1%) OF THE VALUE OF THE EVENT, EXCLUDING THE EXPENSES RELATED TO SECURITY, WHICH WERE COVERED IN FULL BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT THE ECONOMIC BENEFITS HAVE BEEN EVALUATED AT *MORE OR LESS* FORTY MILLION (40,000,000) EUROS, FIFTY PERCENT (50%) OF THE VALUE OF THE EVENT FOR THE THREE LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT, IN ADDITION TO THE FACT THAT THESE EVENTS HAVE ALLOWED MONTRÉAL TO POSITION ITSELF ON THE INTERNATIONAL STAGE.

4- PLANNING AND LOGISTICS

HAVING ACCEPTED TO HOST SUCH AN IMPORTANT EVENT, THE FIRST THING TO DO WAS TO CHOOSE A VENUE. FOR THE FOURTH SUMMIT, TWENTY-SIX (26) DIFFERENT LOCATIONS WERE PROPOSED, INCLUDING UNIVERSITY CAMPUSES, HOTELS AND CONVENTION CENTRES. THE *POSH* MOUNT ROYAL CENTRE WAS CHOSEN AFTER A COMPARISON CHART OF ALL THE VENUES WAS DRAWN UP AND COMPLETED BY ICLEI AND THE CITY OF MONTRÉAL. FOR COP 11, PALAIS DES CONGRÈS WAS CHOSEN BEFORE.

FOR THE MONTRÉAL MAYORAL DINNER GALA, THE MOUNT ROYAL CHALET WAS A NATURAL CONSIDERING :

- IT WAS FREE OF CHARGE BECAUSE THE FACT THE CITY OF MONTRÉAL OWNS THE BUILDING;
- IT OFFERED A SCENIC VIEW OF MONTRÉAL FROM THE TOP OF MOUNT ROYAL;
- IT HAS HOSTED MANY PREVIOUS OFFICIAL DINNERS SINCE NINETEEN-THIRTY-TWO (1932).

5- REDUCING, REUSING AND RECYCLING

NOW, JUST TO GIVE YOU A GENERAL IDEA OF THE EFFORTS PUT TOWARDS REDUCING, REUSING AND RECYCLING, I WANT TO SHOW YOU AN IMAGE OF MY DESK, WHICH IS MADE FROM A RECYCLED WOODEN WHEEL THAT I FOUND AT THE ST-MICHEL ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLEX AND ONTO WHICH I ADDED A USED PLATE OF GLASS THAT COST ONLY 4 EUROS AT AN ECO-CENTRE.

LET ME GIVE YOU SOME OTHER EXAMPLES :

- INVITATIONS WERE SENT VIA E-MAIL TO SAVE ON TIME AND PAPER AND TO AVOID CAUSING ANY GREEN HOUSE GAS EMISSIONS (GHG);
- OLD BOXES WERE REUSED TO MOVE OBJECTS;
- CARDBOARD PLATES WERE USED AS SIGNPOSTS IN OUR BUILDING;
- ELECTION POSTERS WERE USED TO MAKE SIGNPOSTS FOR OUR OFFICE, WHICH WE REFERRED TO AS *THE BUNKER*;

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- THE *BRIEFCASES* GIVEN TO ALL DELEGATES WERE MADE OUT OF RECYCLED STREET BANNERS;
- THIRTY-SIX (36) DIFFERENT CHAIRS WERE REUSED OVER FOUR MONTHS.

6- CATERING

WE WORKED WITH TWO CHEFS WHO WERE VOLUNTEER PARTNERS IN THE EVENTS AT THE MOUNT ROYAL CENTRE AND THE MOUNT ROYAL CHALET. HERE ARE SOME OF THE GREEN MEASURES THAT WERE TAKEN:

- PRIOR TO THE EVENTS, EFFORTS WERE MADE TO REDUCE THE PACKAGING ON FOOD AND OTHER PRODUCTS;
- STEPS WERE TAKEN TO ENSURE THAT WASTE SEPARATION WOULD BE PROVIDED AND THAT ALL RECYCLABLE MATERIAL WOULD BE RECYCLED;
- ADDITIONAL RECYCLING BINS WERE PLACED IN STRATEGIC AREAS TO COLLECT GLASS, PLASTIC AND METAL, PAPER AND CARDBOARD. IN TOTAL, SEVEN THOUSAND (7,000) LITRES OF MATERIAL WERE COLLECTED.
- SOME OF THE ORGANIC MATTER GENERATED FROM MEAL PREPARATION (TABLES SCRAPS, FOR EXAMPLE) AND THE DISCARDED PAPER TOWELS IN BATHROOMS AT PALAIS DES CONGRÈS, MOUNT ROYAL CENTRE AND THE MOUNT ROYAL CHALET WERE COMPOSTED, ADDING UP TO FOUR THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY (4,150) LITRES OF MATTER.

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- WASHABLE CHINA WAS USED AT ALL TIMES.
- FOR THE MAYORAL DINNER GALA, CHEF FABRICE COUTENCEAU PURCHASED LOCAL PRODUCTS AVAILABLE WITHIN FOURTY (40) KM OF MONTRÉAL. DELEGATES WERE SERVED LOCAL DRINKING WATER FROM JUGS THROUGHOUT THE SUMMIT. HOWEVER, BOTTLED WATER WAS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.
- THE FAIR TRADE AND ORGANIC COFFEE SPONSOR WAS VAN HOUTTE COFFEES, WHOSE HEAD OFFICE IS IN MONTRÉAL.
- LARGE MILK CARTONS INSTEAD OF CUPS AND SUGAR CUBES INSTEAD OF SUGAR PACKETS WERE USED IN AN EFFORT TO REDUCE PACKAGING.
- FRANÇOIS CHARTIER, A WORLD-RENOWN WINE EXPERT, WROTE IN THE 2006 EDITION OF HIS ANNUAL REVIEW THAT THE CLIMATE CHANGE HAS EVEN BEGUN TO IMPACT WINE PRODUCTION. HE ALSO SELECTED THE WINES FOR EACH MEAL.
- TWO CANADIAN WINES WERE SELECTED (INCLUDING ONE FROM QUÉBEC) TO MINIMIZE TRANSPORTATION AND GHG EMISSIONS AND TO DEVELOP THE LOCAL ECONOMY. AN ORGANIC FRENCH WINE WAS ALSO SERVED. THEY WERE EXCELLENT ! AND SPONSORED BY ALCAN.

7- NGOEs (NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANISATIONS IN ENVIRONMENT) AND YOUNG PEOPLE

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A PARTICULARLY GOOD COP 11 INITIATIVE WAS TO NAME ÉQUITERRE AS THE FACILITATOR FOR ALL THE NGOES (GREENPEACE, FRIENDS OF THE EARTH, «EARTH DAY», ETC.).

ANOTHER SMART MOVE WAS TO INCLUDE THE NGOES AND YOUTH GROUPS IN THE NEGOTIATIONS RIGHT FROM THE START. THEY WERE EACH ACCREDITED, WHICH ALLOWED THEM TO ATTEND EACH OF THE CONFERENCES GIVEN AT PALAIS DES CONGRÈS AND PARTICIPATE IN THE DISCUSSIONS. INSTEAD OF SEEING THE NGOES AS A THREAT, WE MADE THEM FULL PARTNERS. AND FOR THAT VERY REASON, THE EVENT WENT ON WITHOUT A HITCH AND ALL PARTIES INVOLVED WERE SATISFIED WITH THE OUTCOME.

THE MARCH HELD ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3RD, WITH MORE THAN TEN THOUSAND (10,000) PARTICIPANTS WAS PEACEFUL AND FAMILY-ORIENTED. WE HELPED MAKE THIS MARCH A «GREEN EVENT» BY SUPPLYING TWO HUNDRED AND FORTY (240) CLEAR RECYCLING BAGS INSTEAD OF ADDING MORE GARBAGE CANS ON THE STREETS AND BY PROVIDING A RECYCLING TRUCK AT THE END OF THE MARCH.

ALSO, TO SUPPORT THE NGOES' REQUESTS FOR VISIBILITY, WE OFFERED THEM PART OF THE SPACE ON THE STREETS AND SIDE-WALKS AND, WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE CITY NOTARY, WE ALSO CAME TO AN AGREEMENT WITH A PRIVATE COMPANY WHO EXCHANGED A PORTION OF THEIR LAND FOR

TWO WEEKS, THAT WE THEN GAVE TO THE NGOE'S FOR USE DURING COP 11.

TO SHOW THEIR COMMITMENT TO THE ENVIRONMENT AND TO SAVE ENERGY, A GROUP OF YOUNG PARTICIPANTS WILLINGLY, AND AT THEIR OWN EXPENSE, REPLACED ALL THE LIGHT BULBS AT A YOUTH HOSTEL WITH MORE EFFICIENT ONES.

8- «PROTECT THE CLIMATE» (CARBONEUTRAL)

TO COMPENSATE FOR CONFERENCE-RELATED GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS, ON NOVEMBER 27TH, 2005, ONE HUNDRED TREES WERE PLANTED ON MONT-ROYAL , IN PRESENCE OF THE PRESIDENT OF COP 11, HON. STÉPHANE DION, MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT OF CANADA, TO SYMBOLIZE THE CONTRIBUTION OF OUR COP 11 PARTNERS : HYDRO-QUÉBEC (PROTECT THE CLIMATE PROJECT COORDINATOR), ALCAN, BELL CANADA, GOVERNMENT OF CANADA, GAZ MÉTRO AND QUEBEC FOREST INDUSTRY COUNCIL. NEXT YEAR, TWO HUNDRED HECTARES OF FOREST WILL BE PLANTED IN CANADA, ON THE FIFTIETH (50TH) PARALLEL. ALSO, TO ENSURE THAT WE HAD A CARBONEUTRAL EVENT, TWICE THE EQUIVALENT OF CO₂ EMISSION, SOME PARTNERS WILL PURCHASE «GREEN CREDITS». ON ITS BEHALF, THE CITY OF MONTRÉAL WILL PLANT TWO THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED (2,200) TREES IN PARKS AND STREETS NEXT YEAR, OVER THE NUMBER SCHEDULED IN THE BUDGET 2006.

9- TRANSPORTATION

NOW, SPEAKING OF TRANSPORTATION, WE ARE PROUD OF WHAT WE ACCOMPLISHED DURING COP 11. BIODIESEL BUSES TRANSPORTED ALL THREE HUNDRED (300) SUMMIT PARTICIPANTS TO THE MAYORAL GALA DINNER AND THE ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY (150) DELEGATES WHO TOURED THE CITY AND WENT ON ENVIRONMENTAL VISITS AT THE ST-MICHEL ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLEX. TO AVOID IDLING, TRAINING WAS PROVIDED FOR THE DRIVERS.

A FLEET OF SIXTY-FIVE (65) BIODIESEL BUSES WAS MADE AVAILABLE TO THE TEN THOUSAND (10,000) DELEGATES ATTENDING COP 11 IN CASE OF AN INCREASE IN SECURITY LEVEL (FROM MODERATE TO HIGH) AT PALAIS DES CONGRÈS. DEPENDING ON THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE, SOME BUSES COULD HAVE ACCOMMODATED UP TO FIFTY-SIX (56) PASSENGERS PER TRIP.

THE BIODIESEL SHUTTLE COULD CARRY UP TO TWENTY-ONE (21) PASSENGERS.

THE BIODIESEL USED WAS 15% VEGETABLE OIL.

FOR FOUR THOUSAND, SEVEN HUNDRED AND FORTY-THREE (4,743) COP 11 DELEGATES, A PUBLIC TRANSPORT PASS WAS ISSUED AT 30% LESS THAN THE REGULAR PRICE, IN AN EFFORT TO CURB POLLUTION AND TRAFFIC CONGESTION. THREE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIVE (325) FREE PASSES WERE OFFERED TO DELEGATES OF THE FOURTH SUMMIT.

10- ACCOMMODATIONS

ANOTHER IMPORTANT ISSUE TO CONSIDER WAS ACCOMMODATIONS. DURING THE SUMMER OF 2005, WITH THE HELP OF TOURISM-MONTRÉAL, SIX THOUSAND (6,000) ROOMS WERE ALREADY RESERVED IN FIFTY-THREE (53) MONTRÉAL HOTELS FOR COP 11 AND THE FOURTH SUMMIT.

THREE OF THE HOTELS WERE CHOSEN BY ICLEI BECAUSE THEY WERE SITUATED CLOSE TO THE MOUNT ROYAL CENTRE, WHICH WAS IDEAL FOR THE GUESTS WHO WOULD BE ATTENDING THE FOURTH SUMMIT. DELEGATES WOULD BE CLOSE TO THE SUBWAY AND WITHIN FIVE MINUTES WALKING DISTANCE OF THE VENUE.

11- COMMUNICATIONS AND SIGNPOSTS

TWO MONTHS BEFORE THE EVENT, THE CITY OF MONTRÉAL MADE DIFFERENT MAPS AVAILABLE TO ORGANIZERS ON ITS OFFICIAL WEB SITE, IN A SECTION ENTITLED «MONTRÉAL À LA CARTE – NAVIGATEUR URBAIN» AND ON PAPER.

TWENTY THOUSAND (20,000) BILINGUAL LEAFLETS WERE DISTRIBUTED PRIOR TO THE EVENTS IN THE VICINITY OF PALAIS DES CONGRÈS SO AS TO INFORM THE RESIDENTS AND THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY.

MOST INFORMATION IN PAPER FORMAT WAS PRINTED ON BOTH SIDES.

MOST OF MEETINGS WITH THE UNITED NATIONS, ICLEI, MONTRÉAL 2005 (CSUNCCC), AND «PROTECT THE CLIMATE», WERE HELD VIA TELEPHONE OR VIDEO CONFERENCING TO SAVE TIME, ENERGY, MONEY AND REDUCE GHG EMISSIONS !

SO THAT DELEGATES COULD DISCOVER AND APPRECIATE THE CITY, WE OFFERED FREE OFFICIAL TOURISM-MONTRÉAL INFORMATION THAT WE INCLUDED IN THE DELEGATES' RECYCLED BRIEFCASES, IN ORDER TO MINIMIZE THE PRODUCTION OF NEW MATERIAL.

12- CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

«EXTREME NATURE» WAS AN INTERACTIVE EXHIBITION ON NATURAL DISASTERS SUCH AS STORMS, HURRICANES, FOREST FIRES AND FLOODS IN CANADA. IT WAS PRESENTED FREE OF CHARGE AT MONTRÉAL'S CITY HALL. THIS NEW EXHIBITION, THE MOST ASTONISHING OF ITS KIND TO EVER BE PRESENTED WITH ITS SIMULATED EARTHQUAKE, WAS CREATED BY THE *MUSÉE DU FJORD* AND THE *MUSÉE DE LA NATURE ET DES SCIENCES* IN SHERBROOKE. THE EXHIBITION'S FOUR THEMES WERE EARTH, FIRE, WATER AND AIR.

AT THE SAME TIME, A SMALLER PHOTO EXHIBITION OFFERING A GLIMPSE INTO QUÉBEC'S ICE STORM WAS HELD AT THE MOUNT ROYAL CENTRE AND SHOWED THE IMPACT OF CLIMATE CHANGE ON THE GREATER MONTRÉAL AREA.

NATURE IS MIGHTIER THAN MAN : IN JANUARY 1998, MONTRÉAL WAS PARALYSED BY THE WORST ICE STORM OF ITS HISTORY WHEN MORE THAN HALF OF THE PROVINCE, MORE THAN FOUR MILLION (4,000,000) PEOPLE, WERE IN A TOTAL DARKNESS. SOME LOST POWER FOR THREE (3) DAYS, SOME LOST POWER FOR TWENTY-ONE (21) DAYS...

A COPY OF THE PHOTO ALBUM, ENTITLED *UNPLUGGED*, WAS GIVEN TO MANY OF DELEGATES AS A SOUVENIR.

«LA JOUTE», BY ARTIST JEAN-PAUL RIOPELLE, IS ONE OF THE MAJOR WORKS OF THE MONTRÉAL PUBLIC ART COLLECTION. VALUED AT SEVEN MILLION (7,000,000) EUROS (TEN MILLION CANADIAN DOLLARS), THE SCULPTURE, LOCATED IN FRONT OF PALAIS DES CONGRÈS, WAS PROTECTED BY THREE LAYERS OF RESISTANT AND FLAME-RETARDANT FABRIC DURING THE EVENT SO AS TO AVOID USE OF BARRICADES IN JEAN-PAUL RIOPELLE PARK, AND SO THAT RESIDENTS, VISITORS AND NGOES COULD HAVE ACCESS TO THE AREA.

ANOTHER GREEN CULTURAL EVENT HELD IN A GREEN ENVIRONMENT WAS AT THE MONTRÉAL BIODÔME AND HOSTED BY MONTRÉAL 2005

(CSUNCCC). ENTITLED *CANADIAN FLAVOURS*, THE EVENT EXHIBITED DIFFERENT ASPECTS OF CANADIAN CULTURES FROM COAST TO COAST. THE EXHIBITION INCLUDED THE DISCOVERY OF AN ENTIRE CONTINENT IN JUST ONE EVENING THANKS TO THE MAGIC OF THE BIODÔME!

13- CITY TOURS AND ENVIRONMENTAL VISITS

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIVE (125) DELEGATES TOOK THE ENVIRONMENTAL TOURS TO THE ST-MICHEL ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLEX, TOHU (A LEED GREEN BUILDING), AND THE TECHNOLOGY SHOWCASE AT QUÉBEC'S CENTRE FOR WASTE MANAGEMENT EXPERTISE, THE CEMR. THREE BIODIESEL BUS CITY TOURS WERE ORGANIZED FOR SUMMIT PARTICIPANTS WHO ESPECIALLY ENJOYED THE VISITS TO THE OLYMPIC STADIUM AND THE BIODÔME.

FIVE HUNDRED (500) COMPLIMENTARY PASSES WERE OFFERED TO DELEGATES BY THE CITY OF MONTRÉAL (MUSÉUM NATURE) AND THE RIO (OLYMPIC STADIUM), AND, EXCEPTIONALLY, THESE INSTALLATIONS WERE OPENED TO DELEGATES. (IN CANADA, MUSEUMS AND LIBRARIES ARE GENERALLY CLOSED ON MONDAY.)

14- PERSONALIZED WELCOMES AT AIRPORT

THREE WEEKS PRIOR TO THE SUMMIT, THE CITY'S GENERAL MANAGER ASKED ALL CITY EMPLOYEES WHO SPOKE FOREIGN LANGUAGES TO GREET

DELEGATES IN THEIR MOTHER TONGUE AT THE AIRPORT. SEVENTY-FIVE (75) EMPLOYEES WHO SPOKE OVER TWENTY (20) LANGUAGES RESPONDED TO THE CALL WITHIN FORTY-EIGHT (48) HOURS AND VOLUNTEERED THEIR TIME, PARTICIPATING IN A TRAINING SESSION AND SPENDING THEIR WEEKEND AT THE AIRPORT ON DECEMBER 3RD AND 4TH.

SPECIAL THANKS SHOULD BE EXTENDED TO SEVENTY-FIVE (75) EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF MONTRÉAL FIRE DEPARTMENT PREVENTION UNIT, WHO ACCEPTED TO GREET THE DELEGATES AT THE AIRPORT WITH THE VOLUNTEERS, TAKING THE VISITORS TO THEIR HOTELS BY CAR AND ENSURING THEIR SAFE RETURN TO THE AIRPORT AFTER THE SUMMIT. THE FIREMEN WERE ALL TRAINED BY THE FORMER CHIEF OF PROTOCOL OF THE CITY OF MONTRÉAL.

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY (150) TRIPS BETWEEN THE AIRPORT AND THE DOWNTOWN HOTELS WERE MADE, ACCOMMODATING ONE TO SEVEN PEOPLE AT A TIME. DEPENDING ON THE NUMBER OF DELEGATES AND THE SIZE OF THEIR LUGGAGE, DIFFERENT TYPES OF VEHICLES WERE USED :

- A COMPACT CHEVROLET AVEO FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S FLEET
 - I SHOULD POINT OUT THAT THE DRIVERS ASSIGNED TO THESE VEHICLES WERE FROM PREVENTION UNIT AND NOT THE FIRE FIGHTING UNIT;
- A MINI VAN THAT SEATS SEVEN (7) PEOPLE
- TOYOTA PRIUS HYBRID CARS (3) OFFERED BY CITY'S BOROUGHES;
- «MONTRÉAL 2005» MANAGED A FLEET OF TWELVE (12) MID-SIZED IMPALAS, RUNNING ON 85% ETHANOL ;

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- AND A FLEET OF FORTY-THREE (43) IMPALAS RUNNING ON 5% ETHANOL.

TO MAKE SURE THAT THE DELEGATES WERE GREETED WARMLY, WE OFFERED FIFTY-FIVE (55) SECOND-HAND WINTER GARMENTS TO DELEGATES HAILING FROM WARM CLIMATES AND TWENTY-FIVE (25) OF THEM GLADLY ACCEPTED! AFTER THE EVENT, THE REMAINING GARMENTS WERE DONATED TO CHARITY.

15- PROTOCOL

DIFFERENT TASKS WERE ASSIGNED TO THE CITY'S PROTOCOL SERVICE, INCLUDING ONE TO GET YOUNG PEOPLE INVOLVED IN THE SUMMIT BY INVITING THEM TO PERFORM AT THE OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE FOURTH MUNICIPAL LEADERS SUMMIT ON CLIMATE CHANGE. ELEVEN (11) MUSICIANS FROM AN ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL, FACE, PLAYED FOR ELEVEN (11) MINUTES ... (COP 11) !

STAFF ORGANIZED THE SEATING ARRANGEMENTS AT THE TABLE OF HONOUR AND ASSIGNED SEATING TO EACH OF THE DIGNITARIES. STAFF MEMBERS ALSO MADE SURE THAT ALL OF THE SUMMIT DOCUMENTS (MENUS, LETTERHEAD, INVITATIONS AND PROGRAM BOOKLETS) WERE PRINTED ON RECYCLED PAPER.

ANOTHER GREAT EXAMPLE OF THE GREEN MEASURES THAT WERE TAKEN WAS THE SHREDDED PAPER AND RECYCLABLE BAGS THAT WERE USED TO WRAP THE SOUVENIR GIFTS (LOCAL MAPLE PRODUCTS) OFFERED TO THE MUNICIPAL LEADERS.

16- SECURITY

ZERO ARRESTS! – THE RESULT OF THE TREMENDOUS COLLECTIVE EFFORT MADE BY ALL THREE LEVELS OF THE POLICE FORCE:

- THE MONTRÉAL POLICE ;
- THE ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE ;
- AND THE QUÉBEC PROVINCIAL POLICE ;

ALONG WITH THE HELP OF:

- ORGANIZERS;
- THE WATCH COMMITTEE;
- NGOES - ÉQUITERRE;
- AND PRIVATE SECURITY FIRMS.

A LARGE NUMBER OF POLICE VEHICLES AND UNITS WERE ON STAND-BY AND WERE LATER DEPLOYED FOR VISIBILITY TO DISCOURAGE ANY ATTEMPT AT A VIOLENT ACT. ON THE SLIDE, YOU WILL NOTICE:

- THE MEETING POINT, PRIOR TO THE MARCH;

- TEAMS IN PLACE AT PLACE JEAN-PAUL RIOPELLE AND THE PRESENCE OF MS. MARY MORELAND, PROGRAMME COORDINATOR FROM COP 11.

THE WATCH COMMITTEE WAS CREATED BY THE CIVIL SECURITY CENTRE OF MONTRÉAL FOR THE EVENT AND REGROUPS SEVENTY-ONE (71) CANADIAN ORGANIZATIONS INVOLVED IN THE EVENT, IN ORDER TO ENSURE THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF BOTH LOCAL RESIDENTS AND DELEGATES.

- SEVENTEEN (17) OF THESE «SECURITY» PARTNERS HELD DAILY CONFERENCE CALLS AT 9 A.M. AND PLAYED A MAJOR ROLE IN COORDINATING THE COMMITTEE.
- THE FIFTY-FOUR (54) OTHER PARTNERS SUBMITTED REPORTS DAILY.

IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT SECURITY MEASURES WERE ALSO EXTENDED TO FOOD INSPECTION, PUBLIC HEALTH, TRANSPORTATION (AIRPORTS, RAILROAD, MARITIME, LAND TRAVEL), IMMIGRATION, AND COMMUNICATIONS. A SPECIAL CONCERN WAS RAISED AND MEASURES WERE THEN TAKEN AGAINST THE POSSIBLE THREAT OF THE AVIAN FLU.

17- CONTENTS AND DECLARATIONS

THE FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, MR. BILL CLINTON, AND OUR PM, HON. PAUL MARTIN, RAISED THE LEVEL OF CONFERENCE TOWARDS THE END OF THE NEGOCIATIONS. «MONTRÉAL'S PLAN» WILL ALLOW THE 189 COUNTRIES TO PURSUE THE WORK THAT BEGUN WITH THE KYOTO PROTOCOL.

WITH THE CONTRIBUTION OF THE ICLEI AND WITH MOST OF THE MAYORS PRESENT AT COP 11 AND THE PREVIOUS COPS (COP 1, COP 2, COP 3, ETC.) ON HAND, IT IS SAFE TO SAY THAT WE PLAYED AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE CREATION OF THE «WORLD MAYOR'S COUNCIL».

THE FOURTH SUMMIT ALLOWED ALL MAYORS TO TAKE AN ACTIVE PART IN THE FIGHT AGAINST CLIMATE CHANGE BY PREPARING A DECLARATION.

YOU WILL NOTICE ON THE PICTURES THAT:

- THERE WAS A POSITIVE INTERACTION WITH THE DELEGATES REGARDING THE FINAL VERSION OF THE MAYORS' DECLARATION TO BE PRESENTED AT COP 11;
- THERE WERE MESSAGES ADDRESSED TO PANEL MEMBERS;
- THERE WERE MULTILINGUAL BOARD DURING SESSIONS;
- THE SAME FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS WERE USED AND BROUGHT FROM ONE PLACE TO THE OTHER, TO MINIMIZE COSTS.

FINALLY, I WOULD LIKE TO MENTION THAT BESIDES THE PALAIS DES CONGRÈS, TWO OF THE BUSIEST LOCATIONS DURING THE EVENT, COMPLEXE GUY FAVREAU AND COMPLEXE DESJARDINS RECEIVED THOUSANDS OF VISITORS EVERY DAY. NEAR THE CANADIAN STAND, A HUGE BALLOON REPRESENTING THE EQUIVALENT OF ONE TON OF CO₂ WAS HANGING FROM THE CEILING. QUITE AN IMPRESSIVE SITE! IT WAS A REMINDER THAT A HUMAN BEING GENERATES FIVE (5) TONS OF CO₂ PER

YEAR. FOR CANADA, EACH CANADIAN HAS BEEN CHALLENGED IN 2006 TO REDUCE ONE TON OF CO₂.

18- ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

AFTER SUCH A MAJOR EVENT, WE MUST RECOGNIZE THOSE WHO MADE IT ALL POSSIBLE AND RECAP THE EVENT DURING A MEETING IN WHICH THEY WERE ALL THANKED FOR THEIR VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION.

KEEPING IN MIND THAT OUR EVENT WAS A GREEN ONE, ALL THANK-YOU'S ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF MONTRÉAL'S LOGISTICS TEAM WERE SENT VIA E-MAIL.

«MONTRÉAL 2005» (CSUNCCC) THANKED THE EIGHT HUNDRED (800) VOLUNTEERS WHO SUPPORTED COP 11 DURING ITS TWO WEEKS BY HOLDING A SPECIAL EVENT FOR THEM IN THE MAIN HALL OF WINDSOR STATION.

19- CONCLUSION & CHECKLIST

WE CAN PROUDLY SAY THAT OUR GOALS FOR COP11 AND THE FOURTH SUMMIT WERE MET AND EVEN EXCEEDED!

GREAT TEAMWORK CREATED AN IMPORTANT NETWORK THAT WE WILL ALL CONTINUE TO DEVELOP.

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THE MONTRÉAL LOGISTICS CHECKLIST FOR COP 11 AND THE FOURTH SUMMIT THAT FOLLOWS AND THIS PRESENTATION ARE BOTH AVAILABLE ON OUR WEB SITE AT WWW.CEMR.CA.

IN SHORT, AMONGST THE SIXTY-TWO (62) ITEMS, FIFTY-ONE (51) GREEN-ACTIONS WHICH WERE PUT IN BRACKETS, ARE OUR LEGACY FOR FUTURE *GREEN* EVENTS :



- GOOD PLANNING;
- MANAGING MANY DETAILS;
- TEAMWORK;
- A MOTIVATED CREW (CLONE);
- COMMITTED VOLUNTEERS;
- THE SUPPORT OF THE GEOMATICS TEAM (1);
- ADMINISTRATION «MODERATE AND DISTINGUISHED» (2);
- PETTY CASH (MINIMIZE PAPERWORK) (3);
- CHOICE OF THE VENUE (4);
- RECYCLED OFFICE FURNITURE (5);
- E-MAIL INVITATIONS (6);
- REUSING OLD BOXES (7);
- REUSING ELECTION POSTERS FOR SIGNPOSTS (8);

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- REUSING STREET BANNERS AS BRIEFCASES BAGS GIVEN TO DELEGATES (9);

- CATERING:
 - MAKING THE CHEFS AND THEIR STAFF AWARE OF WASTE REDUCTION (10);
 - REDUCING FOOD PACKAGING (11);
 - SEPARATING WASTE AND RECYCLING (12);
 - COMPOSTING LEFTOVER FOOD (13);
 - USING WASHABLE CHINA (14);
 - PURCHASING LOCAL PRODUCTS (15);
 - SERVING LOCAL DRINKING WATER IN JUGS (16);
 - SERVING FAIR TRADE AND ORGANIC COFFEE (17);
 - USING OF LARGE MILK CARTONS INSTEAD OF CUPS (18);
 - USING SUGAR CUBES INSTEAD OF SUGAR PACKETS (19);
 - SERVING LOCAL WINES (20);
 - SERVING ORGANIC WINE (21);
 - SHARING EXCESS FOOD WITH VOLUNTEERS (22);

- INVOLVING NGOES AND YOUNG PEOPLE (23);

- SUPPLYING RECYCLING BAGS AND TRUCK (24);

- USING THE SAME FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS, BROUGHT FROM ONE EVENT TO ANOTHER (25);

- MAKING UP FOR TWICE THE AMOUNT OF CO₂ EMISSIONS:

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- PLANTING TREES (26);
- PURCHASING GREEN CREDITS (27);

- TRANSPORTATION:
 - TRAINING DRIVERS (AVOID IDLING) (28);
 - USING BIODIESEL BUSES (29);
 - USING SHUTTLES (30);
 - USING PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION PASSES WITH A 30% REDUCTION (31);
 - PROVIDING FREE PUBLIC TRANSPORT PASSES TO DELEGATES (32);

- ACCOMMODATIONS:
 - RESERVING BLOCKS OF ROOMS PRIOR TO THE EVENT;
 - SELECTING VENUES AND HOTELS THAT ARE CLOSE TO SUBWAY STATIONS (33);
 - SELECTING HOTELS THAT ARE WITHIN 5 MINUTES WALKING DISTANCE OF THE VENUE (34);

- COMMUNICATIONS AND SIGNPOSTS:
 - OFFERING BOTH PAPER AND ONLINE MAPS (35);
 - PASSING OUT LEAFLETS TO RESIDENTS AND MEMBERS OF THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY;

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- USING RECYCLED CARDBOARD PLATES AS SIGNPOSTS (36);
- USING TELEPHONE OR VIDEO FOR CONFERENCES (37);
- USING THE AVAILABLE FREE PUBLICATIONS (38);
- USING E-MAIL (39);
- PRINTING DOCUMENTS ON RECYCLED PAPER (40);
- PRINTING ON BOTH SIDES OF THE PAGE (41);

- CULTURAL ACTIVITIES:
 - COVERING PUBLIC ART INSTEAD OF USING BARRICADES (42);
 - SELECTING GREEN ENVIRONMENTS TO HOST CULTURAL EVENT (43);

- CITY TOURS AND ENVIRONMENTAL VISITS:
 - OFFERING COMPLEMENTARY PASSES;
 - VISITING LANDFILL SITES, TECHNOLOGY SHOWCASES AND LEED-CERTIFIED GREEN BUILDINGS (44);

- PERSONALIZED WELCOMES AT AIRPORT:
 - CALLING FOR VOLUNTEERS WHO SPEAK DIFFERENT LANGUAGES;
 - TRAINING VOLUNTEERS AND DRIVERS;
 - USING SMALL CARS (45);

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- USING HYBRID CARS (46);
- USING ETHANOL VEHICLES (47);
- REUSING WARM WINTER CLOTHES (48);

- PROTOCOL:
 - INCLUDING YOUNG PEOPLE (MUSICIANS) IN THE EVENT;
 - USING SHREDDED PAPER AND RECYCLED BAGS AS WRAPPING FOR GIFTS (49);

- SECURITY: DAILY TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALLS AT 9 A.M. WITH THE WATCH COMMITTEE (50);

- ACKNOWLEDGMENTS: SENT VIA E-MAIL (51).

ACTION, ACTION, ACTION! THE RACE AGAINST CLIMATE CHANGE CONTINUES!

SOLID PLANNING AND PAYING CLOSE ATTENTION WERE KEY TO THE SUCCESS OF COP 11.

AND FINALLY, FOR THIS TYPE OF EVENT, CREATIVITY, BEING PROACTIVE AND ENTHOUSIASTIC AND BUILDING A DYNAMIC NETWORK ARE **VERY** IMPORTANT.

THE CITY OF MONTRÉAL, REITERATING THE NEED FOR ACTION DURING THE SUMMIT, SHOWED ITS SUPPORT FOR THE FIGHT AGAINST CLIMATE CHANGE BY IMPLEMENTING A NEW BY-LAW THAT AIMS AT BREAKING PEOPLE'S HABIT OF LETTING THE CAR "WARM-UP" AND IDLING WITH THE ENGINE RUNNING FOR

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LONG PERIODS. FINES RANGING FROM 40 TO 300 EUROS WILL BE HANDED OUT TO OFFENDERS.

MONTRÉAL CAN ALSO CLAIM TO BE A LEADER IN THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT FIELD. THE CITY HAS CREATED A TEAM OF EIGHTY (80) PARTNER-ORGANIZATIONS INVOLVED IN THE PROMOTION OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN THEIR RESPECTIVE COMMUNITIES. THREE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND (3,500,000) PEOPLE ARE AFFECTED BY THESE ACTIONS, AND WE BELIEVE THAT THEY WILL CREATE A «DOMINO EFFECT».

I HOPE MY PRESENTATION HAS GIVEN YOU A GOOD IDEA OF OUR EXPERIENCE IN MONTRÉAL FOR THE PAST FOUR MONTHS.

I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO INVITE YOU AND YOUR TEAM TO MONTRÉAL TO VISIT OUR TECHNOLOGY SHOWCASE AT QUÉBEC'S CENTRE FOR WASTE MANAGEMENT EXPERTISE.

WE ARE LOCATED ON TWO HUNDRED (200) HECTARES OF A FORMER LANDFILL SITE THAT RECEIVED MORE THAN FORTY MILLION (40,000,000) TONS OF WASTE OVER A THIRTY-YEAR PERIOD. THIS SITE IS CURRENTLY BEING REHABILITATED INTO A REGIONAL PARK IN THE HEARTH OF THE ISLAND OF MONTRÉAL. CANADA'S LARGEST SORTING PLANT, TIRU, IS ALSO IN THE ST-MICHEL ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLEX. OUR OFFICES ARE IN THE TOHU, A LEED GREEN BUILDING THAT IS HEATED BY GAZMONT, A POWER PLANT THAT TRANSFORMS LANDFILL METHANE INTO 20 MEGAWATTS OF ELECTRICITY.

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YOU CAN VISIT OUR WEB SITE AT: WWW.CEMR.CA. ON WHICH YOU WILL FIND THIS POWERPOINT PRESENTATION, UNDER «PUBLICATIONS».

THANK YOU FOR YOU TIME. ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS?

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