



## Media Advisory

**Note to News Editors:  
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### **HANNA TO HOST ANNUAL ATCO SYMPOSIUM BENEFITING NON-PROFIT, VOLUNTEER AND COMMUNITY SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS**

**Hanna, AB** – On April 10, 2007, more than 150 local government and community leaders will gather at the Hanna and District Community Centre to attend ATCO's eighth annual Community Symposium entitled *Vision for the Future: Building a Vibrant Organization*.

Hosted by the Town of Hanna in partnership with ATCO Gas, ATCO Electric and ATCO Power, delegates attending the Symposium will be able to hear a variety of speakers provide insights on recruitment, technology, partnerships and a variety of best practices to help build a great organization in an era of unprecedented change.

A second session will be held at the Kitscoty and District Community Hall on April 12.

"Volunteers and volunteer organizations enrich community life. We are very pleased to host this year's symposium on a subject that is so important to community life in Alberta," says Pat Burns, Mayor of the Town of Hanna.

"ATCO Gas and ATCO Electric have a long history of supporting rural Alberta and the people who live and work there," said Sett Policicchio, President, ATCO Electric. "This year's symposium provides community members a terrific opportunity to share information and network with other people who have had success preparing their organizations for the future."

"With many of our employees, customers and their families living in rural communities across Alberta, ATCO plays an important part in the sustainability of these communities," said Jerome Engler, President, ATCO Gas. "This is one way we support the communities we serve."

Since 2000 ATCO has partnered with a number of communities to offer its annual symposium and to help not-for-profit organizations and those in the volunteer sector stay informed about trends and best practices as they work to improve the quality of life in rural Alberta.

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#### **For additional information**

Visit our websites at [www.atcoelectric.com/community/community\\_symposium.asp](http://www.atcoelectric.com/community/community_symposium.asp), or contact:

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