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Appointment to Blue Water Bridge Authority

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OTTAWA —The Honourable Steven Fletcher, Minister of State (Transport), today announced the appointment of Mr. Marcel Beaubien of Petrolia, Ontario, as Chairperson of the board of directors of the Blue Water Bridge Authority for a three-year term.

"I'm pleased to appoint Mr. Beaubien as Chairperson of the Blue Water Bridge Authority," said Minister Fletcher. "His experience and his dedication to the Authority as a member of the board will make him a great asset in this new role."

Mr. Beaubien was a member of the provincial parliament of Ontario from 1995 to 2003 for Lambton-Kent-Middlesex. He served as parliamentary assistant to the Minister of Finance and to the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs. During this time, he was also a member of various parliamentary committees. Past mayor of the Town of Petrolia and county councillor for Lambton County, he was an active volunteer member of several boards and committees. He is a developer, builder and manager of small commercial

complexes and an advisor for Canadians for Properly Built Homes, a Canadian not-for-profit, national consumer protection organization. He has been a member of the Blue Water Bridge Authority's board of directors since June 2011.

The Canadian half of the Blue Water Bridge is owned and operated by Blue Water Bridge Canada, a federal Crown corporation. With approximately 5,000 commercial vehicles crossing the bridge daily, it is Canada's second-busiest international commercial crossing for trucks and is the third busiest for total vehicles. This crossing is a key component of the Ontario-Quebec Continental Gateway and Trade Corridor.

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