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Dear Canadian MPI Members:

For the sixth successive year, Tourisme Québec/Destination Québec is offering us all an opportunity to support our own MPI Canadian Foundation at one of the industry's premier networking events, by providing a Silent Auction item at the *9<sup>th</sup> Annual Coupe Tourisme Québec*.

The *Coupe* takes place Monday, June 1, 2009 at The Country Club in Woodbridge, Ontario. It's the latest in an annual series that has already raised more than \$35,000.00 to support the industry research and education initiatives that are MPI Foundation Canada's raison d'être. Your donation will be offered to 200 attendees including senior meeting planners, incentive travel executives, and association executives from the Greater Toronto Area.

As one of the Foundation Canada's inaugural supporters, Tourisme Québec/Destination Québec would tell you that there's no better time for you to take part in the auction and support the Foundation.

Through all of our MPI Foundation Canada fundraising campaigns, we've raised over \$1 million that will be invested *by Canadians, for Canadians*, to help build the strategic influence of our profession. These funds go directly to creating important industry initiatives such as professional development scholarships as provided by (1.) the Anna Lee Chabot Scholarship Fund, and (2.) the delivery of our Economic Impact Study, recognized worldwide as the definitive industry economic report. The report documents the value that Canadian meeting professionals deliver to their communities each day. These important initiatives are a direct result of the generous support and contributions of industry leaders as you.

The *9<sup>th</sup> Annual Coupe Tourisme Québec* is your next opportunity to help us make a difference. You will find attached a Silent Auction form to fill out and fax to the MPI Canadian office. Your generous support in the form of goods and/or services will be profiled to everyone who attends the *Coupe*, and all proceeds will support the Foundation.

We are very excited about the impact that MPI Foundation Canada is already having, and it just keeps getting better. Thank you very much for your active participation in this important fundraising event.

With great appreciation,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Rita Plaskett'.

Rita Plaskett, CMP, CMM  
Chair – MPI Foundation

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Ron Guitar'.

Ron Guitar, CMP  
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