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Veridian donation to help fund new engines for PARA’s search and rescue boat

Pickering, ON – A generous donation from Veridian Connections (Veridian) is helping fund the replacement of two, 20-year-old engines on the Pickering Auxiliary Rescue Association’s (PARA) rescue cutter. Veridian Board Chair and City of Pickering Deputy Mayor Doug Dickerson along with company President and CEO Michael Angemeer presented PARA with a cheque at a special ceremony held today at Frenchman’s Bay Yacht Club in Pickering.

“The rescue vessel has provided a vital search and rescue service to boaters and water enthusiasts along the shores of Lake Ontario for 20 years,” explains PARA’s Board Chair and appointed director Jim Dike. “Replacing the vessel’s engines will cost approximately \$125,000, and Veridian’s donation to our fundraising campaign will go a long way in making this happen.”

“Veridian takes the safety of its employees and the customers it serves very seriously every day of the year,” said Dickerson. “The company is pleased to support PARA’s fundraising efforts to replace two worn engines and keep their vital link to water safety operational. Boaters will have peace of mind knowing that if they are in distress on the water, a properly equipped boat and crew are in close proximity to perform a rescue.”

About Pickering Auxiliary Rescue Association

With 47 years of operation, Pickering Auxiliary Rescue Association (PARA) is one of the original founders of the Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary. PARA is a volunteer organization that has approximately 50 members who are constantly being trained in search and rescue on the water. In existence, PARA has responded to more than 200 calls where life has been in danger.

About Veridian Connections

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