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FACTS and STATS

Port Metro Vancouver has handled:

- 24.2 million tonnes of coal to September 30, 2011, for an increase of 7% over September 2010.
- 1.9 million TEUs to September 30, 2011, with container traffic up 1% YTD.
- 3.5 million tonnes of lumber to September 30, 2011, up 42% over last year.

Visit our website for detailed statistics on all sectors.

IN THE NEWS

Save the date: Mark your calendars now for Port Metro Vancouver CEO Robin Silvester’s annual address to the Vancouver Board of Trade on Friday, November 25. Join Robin as he shares the outcomes of the 12-month scenario planning initiative “Port 2050” that reflects the diverse needs and aspirations of the Port, and its public and industry stakeholders. For more details, please [click here](#).

Cruise season wraps up: October 4 marked the end of the 2011 Vancouver-Alaska cruise season at Port Metro Vancouver. Between May and October, Vancouver welcomed 27 different vessels over 199 calls, and more than 663,425 passengers – a 15 per cent increase over 2010. New in 2011, Port Metro Vancouver was home-port for **Disney Cruise Lines’ Disney Wonder** and **Oceania Cruises’ Regatta** for the first time. Vancouver also saw the return of **Crystal Cruises** to Alaska with the *Crystal Symphony* making 10 port calls in Vancouver. Learn more about [Port Metro Vancouver’s cruise sector](#).

Vancouver Gateway partners support B.C. Jobs plan: Asia-Pacific Gateway partners will benefit from the Government of B.C.’s **Canada Starts Here strategy**. The increased focus on support for B.C.’s export economy, as a key driver of jobs, will support collaborative infrastructure investments planned and underway. [Read comments from Gateway stakeholders](#).

PMV welcomes new Board Members: The **Hon. Dennis Lebel**, Minister of Transport, Infrastructure and Communities, announced the appointments of **Tim Chapman** and **Paul Landry** to the Board of Directors of the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority for a term of three years, effective September 29, 2011. [View our board of directors](#).

Port employees pitch in to help local charity: A group of Port Metro Vancouver employees spent an October afternoon volunteering at **Mission Possible**, a non-profit organization in Vancouver’s Downtown Eastside that focuses on finding meaningful work for people challenged by homelessness and poverty. [Read more](#) and [view photos](#).

Port employees volunteer at Mission Possible in Vancouver’s downtown eastside.





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SUPPLY CHAIN INITIATIVES



Grain loading in inclement weather: Feeder hole grain pouring has been proven as a practical, safe and effective solution to ensuring that agri-bulk cargo is loaded in a dry, quality-controlled manner. The [BCMEA](#) and the [Chamber of Shipping of B.C.](#) have provided information to ships' captains on the safe and efficient loading of grain through feeder holes at terminals in Port Metro Vancouver's jurisdiction. [Read more.](#)

Many vessels are outfitted with designated openings to facilitate feeder hole grain pouring during inclement weather.

Dramatic performance increases continue in the Vancouver Gateway: Since March 2011, the Vancouver Gateway has recorded container terminal dwell performance consistently below the three day dwell target. This improvement in terminal fluidity has resulted in an overall improvement in the consistency and reliability of the end-to-end Gateway supply chain, benefiting all customers through better predictability of cargo delivery.

[We invite your comments, concerns and suggestions](#) on how to improve the logistics planning process. Look for regular updates on Supply Chain Initiatives in upcoming Port eNewsletters.

PROJECT UPDATES

What is CCIP?: The [Container Capacity Improvement Program](#) (CCIP) is Port Metro Vancouver's overarching strategy to significantly increase container capacity in the Vancouver Gateway to meet future growth and demand. CCIP features two components: efficiency gains at existing container facilities in the Gateway, including [improvements to road and rail infrastructure](#); and, a [proposed new container facility](#) at Roberts Bank. [Learn more.](#)

Upgrades planned for Deltaport Container Terminal: As a component of the Port's overarching [Container Capacity Improvement Program](#) (CCIP), the [Deltaport Terminal, Road and Rail Improvement Project](#) (DTRRIP) aims to increase the capacity of Deltaport terminal through improvements to terminal, road and rail infrastructure. A joint undertaking between Port Metro Vancouver, the [Province of BC](#) and terminal operator [TSI Terminal Systems](#), DTRRIP will increase Deltaport's container capacity by 600,000 TEUs by 2015. This project represents the most immediate and cost-effective increase in container capacity on the West Coast. Project works have low potential for environmental effects as they will be achieved mostly within the existing terminal, road and rail footprint, with no in-water works. In late September, [BC Premier Christy Clark announced](#) a \$50 million provincial funding commitment for the rail works, and PMV began consultation this month.

Gateway Improvement Program update: The Gateway Improvement Program is a \$717 million capital investment with \$167 million industry contribution, pre-funded by Port Metro Vancouver, for 17 projects in three trade areas for completion by March 2014. [Visit our website](#) for more information and current updates on the status of Gateway Infrastructure Program projects and the Gateway Infrastructure Program project funding.



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TRADE AND BUSINESS

Seaspan awarded shipbuilding contract: North Vancouver-based **Seaspan Marine Corp.** has been awarded an \$8-billion federal contract to build seven non-combat ships, including the Navy's joint support ships, the Canadian Coast Guard's off-shore science vessels and a new polar icebreaker. The contract is expected to create 4,000 jobs between the shipyards in Vancouver and Victoria and will generate significant economic benefits in shipbuilding and related industries across Canada. [Read more.](#)

Meet Chris Wellstood: Chris Wellstood recently joined Port Metro Vancouver as Deputy Harbour Master, bringing a wealth of experience and knowledge of the marine and offshore industry. Originally from the Netherlands, Chris joins the Port from **SMIT Marine Canada**, where he held the position of General Manager, Operations. In his new role as Deputy Harbour Master and member of the Operations & Security management team, Chris oversees all areas of marine operations including marine patrols, ship inspections, event planning, dangerous goods permitting, and the provision of navigational and safety advice. The Port works closely with stakeholders to ensure the safe and efficient movement of marine traffic, cargo and passengers within PMV's jurisdiction. To learn more about the Port's marine operations, please [visit our website](#) or [email the Harbour Master](#).



Vancouver's uniquely balanced trade: The Vancouver Gateway offers a nearly 1:1 ratio of import to export container trade, with availability of export backhaul cargo including forest products, grain and specialty crops. [Visit our website](#) to learn more about the Vancouver Gateway's unique competitive advantages.



Port welcomes Minister Lake: The provincial **Minister of the Environment**, Dr. Terry Lake, toured port facilities this month to learn more about some of the leading environmental achievements at Canada's largest port, such as the Port's award-winning shore power installation. During the 2011 cruise season, 35 vessels connected to the shore power facilities, reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 1,318 tonnes.

Port Metro Vancouver's Darrell Desjardin (L) and Katherine Bamford (R) join Dr. Terry Lake, B.C.'s Minister of the Environment, on a tour of port facilities.

New Coal Association president: The **Coal Association of Canada** recently held its 2011 conference in Vancouver, where **Ann Marie Hann** was introduced as the Association's new President. Ms. Hann replaces Allen Wright, who retired after 10 years of service.



Port renews sisterport ties with Yokohama: Port Metro Vancouver CEO Robin Silvester recently signed a memorandum of understanding to reaffirm sisterport ties with the **Port of Yokohama**, Japan. PMV and the Port of Yokohama have shared a beneficial **sisterport** relationship since 1981.

Robin Silvester, CEO of Port Metro Vancouver (L), and Yoshiki Kanai, Director General of the Port of Yokohama (R), renew sisterport ties between the two organizations during a recent meeting in Japan.



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Minister Fast at Vancouver Board of Trade: The **Hon. Ed Fast**, Canada's Minister of International Trade and Minister for the Asia-Pacific Gateway, speaks to the **Vancouver Board of Trade** on Friday, October 28. The Minister will provide an update on the federal government's efforts to expand its economic ties with China, and highlight how its partnerships to grow the Asia-Pacific Gateway are making Canada even more competitive.



Photo: Holland America Line

This month at Canada's largest port: **Holland America Line's MS Oosterdam** was the last ship to call in Vancouver during the 2011 cruise season. Between May and October, Port Metro Vancouver had 199 cruise ship calls, resulting in 663,425 passengers through the Port's two cruise terminals.

QUICK LINKS:

- View the [Container Services Berth Window Schedule](#), last updated October 26, 2011.
- Access the Port's [eNewsletter archive](#).
- Stay up-to-date with the [Port's latest projects](#).
- Email [Customer Service](#) for Trade or Business Development inquiries.
- Visit the [Opportunities](#) section of our website for [career information](#) and answers to [frequently asked questions](#).

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