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FACTS and STATS

Port Metro Vancouver has handled:

- 4,289,040 tonnes of potash to July 31, 2011, for an increase of 40% over 2010.
- 1,654,116 TEUs to August 31, 2011, with container traffic up 1% YTD.
- 71,420 tonnes of barley to July 31, 2011, up 200% 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. For more details, please click [here](#).

PMV announces executive team changes: Port Metro Vancouver recently announced changes to the Executive Leadership Team, as we work to build Canada’s Pacific Gateway and meet the needs of our customers, stakeholders and host communities. [Read more](#) and meet our [Executive Leadership Team](#).

Chris Badger retires: Effective October 14, Captain Chris Badger will retire from Port Metro Vancouver, following a 40-year maritime career. Among his many accomplishments, Badger led the Port’s corporate social responsibility strategy resulting in Port Metro Vancouver’s world-class recognition for sustainability initiatives, helped pioneer the development of the Port’s municipal engagement program, and established the Port’s Monitor and Measure program to dramatically improve the performance of the supply chain through Port Metro Vancouver. We wish Captain Badger the best in his well-earned retirement!

International collaboration delivers better air quality: Port Metro Vancouver and the Ports of Seattle and Tacoma continue to make significant progress in the cross-border effort to reduce port-related emissions in the Georgia Basin – Puget Sound air shed, according to the Northwest Ports Clean Air Strategy 2010 Implementation Report. [Read more](#).

SUPPLY CHAIN INITIATIVES

Dramatic performance increases in the Vancouver Gateway: Port Metro Vancouver has experienced consistently improved performance in the Vancouver Gateway, as a result of port-wide collaboration agreements with CN and CP, and the federal government’s Rail Freight Service Review recommendations. Container on-terminal dwell times in the Vancouver Gateway have dropped 30 per cent to consistently under three days since January 2010.

[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.





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PROJECT UPDATES

Roberts Bank Rail Corridor upgrades: On September 16, Port Metro Vancouver joined [Transport Canada](#), the [BC Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure](#) and the [Corporation of Delta](#) to celebrate the construction of the [80th Street Overpass](#) in Delta. One of nine projects in the \$307 million [Roberts Bank Rail Corridor](#) program, the 80th Street project will ease traffic congestion in Delta and provide safer access to Boundary Bay Airport.

Minister Ed Fast speaks at the 80th Street Overpass event.



Richmond interchange helps truckers, farmers and drivers:

The Nelson Road / Highway 91 interchange will streamline truckers' access to Port Metro Vancouver, improve farming operations, and reduce congestion on the Westminster Highway for local residents and farmers. [Read more](#) about the interchange that opened August 22.

Richmond East MLA Linda Reid speaks at the opening of the Nelson Road / Highway 91 interchange.



TRADE AND BUSINESS

Cruise advisory notice: On Sunday, September 25, approximately 21,000 disembarking and embarking cruise passengers will be moving through Port Metro Vancouver's two cruise terminals. [Read our South Shore access notice](#) and [notice to cruise passengers](#).

Silvester elected Chair of ACPA: Port Metro Vancouver president and CEO Robin Silvester was recently elected Chair of the [Association of Canadian Port Authorities](#) (ACPA) at the annual conference hosted by the Sept-Iles Port Authority in Sept Iles, Quebec.

Port welcomes Minister Fletcher: Last month, Port Metro Vancouver was pleased to welcome the [Hon. Steven Fletcher](#), Canada's Minister of State for Transport, who visited the Port for the first time. Minister Fletcher met with Port executives and received a tour of the Port's 24-hour Operations Centre.

CEO Robin Silvester (R) & team hosted Min. Steven Fletcher in the 24-hour Operations Centre at Canada's largest port.



Meet Gary Tosh: Did you know that Port Metro Vancouver manages assets across 1,000 hectares of land and 16,250 hectares of water? As Port Metro Vancouver's Asset Management Coordinator, Gary Tosh is responsible for organizing information, record keeping, analysis and planning for the Port's infrastructure assets. Gary assists project engineers to interpret information, identify asset management needs and ensure system enhancements are developed to meet the Port's asset management requirements. Gary authored the Port's Asset Management Directive and represents the Port at the Sustainable Asset Management for best practices in the industry.





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CFI's annual report now online: The Canadian Fertilizer Institute's [2011 annual report](#) is available for download. The Canadian Fertilizer Institute (CFI) is an industry association that represents manufacturers, wholesale and retail distributors of nitrogen, phosphate and potash fertilizers. [Learn more.](#)

Jobs Minister visits Lynnterm:

In August, the [Hon. Pat Bell](#), Minister of Jobs, Tourism and Innovation, visited Port Metro Vancouver's [Lynnterm facility](#) to talk about jobs and the economy. Lynnterm serves as the consolidation centre for forest products, steel and break bulk commodities in the Pacific Northwest.



Minister Pat Bell at Lynnterm in North Vancouver.



Samson names new tug: Congratulations to [Samson Tug Boats](#) of Delta as they launched their 45-tonne bollard pull ASD tug *Shuswap* on August 31 in the Fraser River. The name is borrowed from one of the first ship docking tugs working the Fraser River in 1917. The [modern Shuswap](#) was designed and built in BC with input from local pilots and tug crew, and is owned and operated by the only Canadian-owned ship berthing company operating sophisticated ASD tugs on the West Coast.

Samson Tug Boats' new tug, *Shuswap*.

Truck traffic pilot program underway: In an effort to mitigate the impact of increased numbers of container trucks travelling on Nanaimo Street north of Broadway, Port Metro Vancouver has implemented a [Truck Traffic Pilot Program](#) requiring container trucks to use only [Major Road Network](#) authorized routes in Vancouver. The Pilot Program began on August 25, with progress jointly monitored by the City of Vancouver and the Port. [Read more.](#)

North Vancouver Port Open House: On Saturday, September 24, the Port's [North Shore Waterfront Liaison Committee](#) will host a community open house. Join us at Vancouver Shipyards to learn about Canada's largest port.



Celebration of Light air show a collaborative effort: Earlier this year, Port Metro Vancouver was approached by the organizers of the [Celebration of Light](#) and Red Bull to help add an acrobatic air show component to the first two nights of the annual fireworks festival. In order for the performance to be executed in a safe environment, a flight box needed to be created on the water and remain clear of activity as an extension to the Celebration of Light security perimeter. Port Metro Vancouver worked closely with the [Coast Guard](#), [Vancouver Police Department](#), [City of Vancouver](#), [Marine Communications and Traffic Services](#), pilots, the air tower and the organizers to ensure the display was a success and well received by the public.



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This month at Canada's largest port: On August 26, Port Metro Vancouver welcomed the *Ethereal*, a 58-metre luxury sailing yacht, to Burrard Inlet. Designed by naval architect Ron Holland and built in the Netherlands with an air draft of 61 metres, *Ethereal* was required to transit the First Narrows at low tide.

The sailing yacht *Ethereal* transits the First Narrows at low tide.



QUICK LINKS:

- View the [Container Services Berth Window Schedule](#), last updated September 1, 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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