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CONTAINER CAPACITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Deltaport Terminal Road and Rail Improvement Program (DTRRIP)

- Work is continuing on the Vehicle Access Control Gates (VACS). This includes the installation of equipment in and around the causeway overpass. There are no anticipated impacts on terminal operations.
- Once complete later in 2015, the VACS will:
 - Increase the security of Deltaport;
 - Ensure that the safety and environmental objectives of the PMV Truck Licensing System are met; and
 - Improve terminal efficiency and container reservation validation

Roberts Bank Terminal 2 Project

- The Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency has finished their completeness review of the Roberts Bank Terminal 2 Project (RBT2) Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). This included consideration of public comments received during the 45-day public comment period, which ran from April 30 to June 15, 2015.
- On July 31, 2015, the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency provided Port Metro Vancouver with a letter that outlines the additional information required to move to the technical review by a panel (this letter is available on the CEAA website).
 - Port Metro Vancouver is currently working to complete the requests for additional information, and anticipates submitting the requested information to the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency in the coming months

Field Studies

- Port Metro Vancouver is continuing field studies in September as part of ongoing environmental and technical work for the Container Capacity Improvement Program.
- Studies include ongoing monitoring of water quality, marine mammals, orange sea pen transplants, and geotechnical investigations, as well as underwater reconnaissance in Burrard Inlet.
- More information is available at www.robertsbankterminal2.com.

PROJECT AND ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROCESS

- In July, Port Metro Vancouver launched an improved process for reviewing project applications to more effectively guide applicants through the permitting process and provide greater clarity, efficiency, transparency and access to information.
- Based on feedback from stakeholders, Port Metro Vancouver retained independent consultants to evaluate the port authority's Project and Environmental Review Process in 2013.
- The conclusion of the review was while the process resulted in sound, robust project permit decisions and environmental reviews, there were areas for improvement which were outlined in 23 recommendations.

- The renewed Project and Environmental Review Process includes several key improvements:
 - a revised web presence to increase transparency and accessibility of information for applicants, the public and other stakeholders;
 - a new Application Guide to assist in preparing applications and understanding requirements;
 - new online project intake application forms; and
 - four new project review categories, based on the scale and potential impacts of the project under review, each with prescribed steps including public consultation where appropriate.

SHORE POWER FOR CONTAINER SHIPS

- The Government of Canada and Port Metro Vancouver announced funding for the installation of shore power facilities for container vessels at Centerm and Deltaport container terminals in late July.
- The use of shore power at Port Metro Vancouver container terminals will further reduce greenhouse gas emissions, contribute to Canada's emissions reduction targets, and assist Port Metro Vancouver in reaching targets under the Northwest Ports Clean Air Strategy, to reduce emissions in the shared Puget Sound – Georgia Basin airshed.
- Shore power will also ease the impacts of growing Canadian trade on communities by reducing generator noise associated with the auxiliary engines of container vessels while in port.

WEBSITE REDESIGN

- New website was launched July 13, 2015.
- The website has been redesigned to reflect our business objectives and be responsive to our audience, improve the user experience, simplify navigation, incorporate our brand into the look, feel and messaging and to be responsive to tablet and mobile.

MID-YEAR STATISTICS

- Mid-year statistics show continued growth in trade through the Pacific Gateway; a 1.5 per cent growth over the same period last year.
- Increases in wheat, sulphur, potash, lumber and consumer goods boosted results, while declines were registered in coal and petroleum products.
- Movement of breakbulk and bulk dry cargo rose 2 per cent and 1 per cent respectively.
- Trade using containers showed substantial growth, with an 8 per cent jump in the number of twenty-foot-equivalent units; this higher-than-expected jump is likely due to the impact of U.S. cargo diverted to Vancouver earlier this year in response to labour unrest at U.S. west coast ports, and deflated results last year due to the 28-day Vancouver trucking dispute in March 2014.
- Auto volumes rebounded in the first half of 2015, up 7 per cent, as Canadian demand for vehicles from Asia increased and North American manufacturers struggled to manage growth and shifts in the Canadian market so far this year.