

March 30, 2020

Dear Sirs/Mesdames,

Re: Message regarding COVID-19 and the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority permitting process

The Port of Vancouver plays a vital economic role in Canada by connecting consumers and businesses with the global marketplace. At the port authority, as we respond to the extraordinary circumstances of COVID-19, the health and safety of our employees, customers, operators and stakeholders is our top priority. The Port of Vancouver remains open for business, and we will continue to facilitate the supply of important goods through the port to enable Canadian businesses and Canadian livelihoods, right across the country.

We understand that in response to COVID-19, employers may need to establish temporary facilities, or adapt existing facilities, to ensure a safe work environment for employees. We have established a process to expedite our reviews of these projects.

If you have a project of this nature please contact us directly by:

- Phone: (604) 665-9047
- Email: PER@portvancouver.com with subject line "COVID-19 Urgent Work"

We will respond to you as a priority.

Throughout these unprecedented times, port authority employees continue to support the delivery of important trade-enabling projects while following the federal and provincial guidance of practicing social distancing and isolation, remote work and other directives as they are implemented. Should you have any PER-related questions relating to projects currently under review and those contemplated, please contact the port authority at PER@portvancouver.com or your individual port authority project lead. Further information about the PER process can be found on the [port authority's website](#).

We wish you and your families well, and extend our thanks to the many organizations and people who make up our port community for their continued support to keep the port functioning efficiently during this global challenge.

Regards,

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