

On Course for 2020, an Unprecedented Success

Trois-Rivières, May 7, 2018 - The Trois-Rivières Port Authority (TRPA) held its annual general meeting today, which provided an opportunity to report positive results for 2017. The Port accommodated 168 vessels, including 12 cruise ships and handled 2.6 million metric tonnes (MMT) of cargo in 2017.

Conclusion of the *On Course for 2020* project

This ambitious modernization plan, which began in 2008, was completed three years ahead of schedule and within the allocated budgets. The overall project will have required investments of \$ 131.6 million, of which \$ 49 million was financed by the TRPA, \$ 22.2 million by the Government of Canada, \$ 8.2 million by the Government of Quebec and \$ 52.2 million by our users. As Chair of the Board Ms. Danielle St-Amand explained, “It would have been impossible to achieve such success without the efforts and collaboration of the port community, the regional community, the City and without the financial contributions from both levels of government. On behalf of the TRPA, we would like to express our deepest gratitude.”
[Translation]

2017: A busy year

2017 was more notably marked by the inauguration of new Terminal 13, the conclusion of an agreement for its operation with the Somavrac Group, the construction of the new Pier 9, which concludes the general cargo terminal. and the signature of an agreement for the operation of this terminal with Logistec. Also noteworthy is the signing of a new 9-year collective agreement between the Maritime Employers Association and the Longshoremen's Union, which will create new jobs and long-term stability. As Mr. Gaétan Boivin, President and CEO of the TRPA, explained, “Not to mention the recognition received from our community at the Gala Radisson, the *Coup de cœur - Fierté régionale* award, which has crowned all our efforts for the development of our region.” [Translation] Mr. Boivin also pointed out that the *On Course for 2030* plan is being drawn up and will be presented in the coming months.

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As part of the 18 Canadian Port Authorities and active since 1882, the Port of Trois-Rivières offers a wide range of facilities and services to the maritime industry throughout the year. The Port is an important player in regional, national and international economic development for major industrial sectors such as the aluminum industry, forestry and agri-food. The Port of Trois-Rivières accommodates 55,000 trucks, 11,000 railcars and more than 200 merchant and cruise ships annually originating from over 100 different ports in more than 40 countries around the world. It handles over 3 million metric tonnes of traffic and generates nearly 1,000 direct jobs.

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