



ASSOCIATION OF CANADIAN PORT AUTHORITIES
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STATEMENT

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Statement from Wendy Zatylny, President of the Association of Canadian Port Authorities, on the release of Canada's federal budget.

"We live in a highly-competitive world and it is critical that Canada has the policies in place to ensure we are able to maintain continued growth and prosperity. We commend the government for its continued commitments to expanding Canada's trade agenda, to responsible natural resource development, and to the safe movement of those resources in a manner that protects Canadians and the natural environment of which we are so proud. The measures in Tuesday's budget ensure we can enjoy continued prosperity from the resources with which Canada is blessed.

With the Budget's commitment to marine incident prevention, preparedness and response south of the 60th parallel, the government is ensuring the marine sector as a whole, as well as Canada's ports, are fully prepared for shipping Canada's natural resources. Additionally the creation of an International Maritime Centre in Vancouver is welcome news that will help Canada continue to develop its standing as a world-class maritime hub. Canada's ports are critical to our success as a trading nation, and ensuring we have adequate infrastructure to not only accommodate growth in trade but also maintain the safety of our ports is critical to the economic health and success of our country. We look forward to continuing to work with the government to ensure Canadian ports are able to grow and continue to contribute to the Canadian economy."

About the Association of Canadian Port Authorities

The Association of Canadian Port Authorities was founded in 1958 and groups together ports and related marine interests into one national association. ACPA represents all Canadian Port Authorities, various government entities and companies doing business in the marine sector. It is the leading Association for the advocacy and advancement of the Canadian Port Industry. ACPA members contribute significantly to the local, regional and national economy of Canada, responsible for more than 250,000 direct and indirect jobs and handling more than \$162 billion worth of goods annually.

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