



ASSOCIATION OF CANADIAN PORT AUTHORITIES
ASSOCIATION DES ADMINISTRATIONS PORTUAIRES CANADIENNES

STATEMENT

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Statement from Wendy Zatylny, President of the Association of Canadian Port Authorities, on the announcement by the Honorable Marc Garneau, Minister of Transport, of the Ports Modernization Review.

“Canada’s Port Authorities welcome Minister Garneau’s announcement today of a wide-ranging review of the National Port System to support the competitiveness of Canada’s economy. As a trading nation, Canada has much to offer the world and ports are a key part of this.

“Canada’s eighteen port authorities are already highly-competitive and efficient players in a very dynamic global transportation system. Nonetheless, this system is changing rapidly, and we see this review as an opportunity to further transform our port system into one that holistically integrates trade, supply chain partners, new technology, and communities in a predictable, innovative and safe manner.

“We have already been working with the government on many of the building blocks of such a system, including the Oceans Protection Plan, Transportation 2030, trade-enabling infrastructure funding, and the Innovation Agenda. Canada Port Authorities have the expertise and ideas that can contribute significantly to achieving a world-class, innovative port system. We look forward to this opportunity to develop the modernized legislative and regulatory frameworks required to make Canada’s ports world leaders in innovative, competitive and sustainable logistics, and to being active participants in this review.”

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 213,000 direct and indirect jobs and handling more than \$200 billion worth of goods annually.

Key Facts:

- **Canada Port Authorities handle approximately \$200 billion worth of goods annually, representing a quarter of all Canadian trade.**
- **The economic impact of this business activity exceeds \$25 billion dollars annually.**
- **Total number direct and indirect jobs created by Canada Port Authorities exceeds 213,000.**

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