The newest terminal on the St. Lawrence River to be operated by Groupe Somavrac

Trois-Rivières, July 3rd, 2017 - The Trois-Rivières Port Authority (TRPA) and Groupe Somavrac announced today the signing of a long-term agreement to operate Terminal 13 at the Port of Trois-Rivières. This terminal, with a surface area of 23,000 m², as well as Pier 13, was restored in 2016 and has been in operation since January 2017.

This agreement allows Somavrac to expand its services. In addition to these two vessel berths, Terminal 13 provides an outdoor storage area accommodating a wide variety of products. The terminal provides effective rail and road links along with a network of pipelines connected to reservoirs located further north. It also offers access to two solid bulk facilities located nearby. It has become a comprehensive multimodal storage platform.

Mr. Marc Paquin, President of Groupe Somavrac, explained that “Terminal 13 will enable Somavrac to better serve its customers. With its versatility and quality of maritime, road and rail access, it is well adapted to the complexity of our customers’ supply chains. In addition to this infrastructure, Somavrac offers advanced equipment and expertise recognized throughout the logistics industry. This agreement consolidates a well-established business relationship with the Port of Trois-Rivières since our company was founded in 1963, and we are very proud of this.” [Translation]

Mr. Gaétan Boivin, President and CEO of the TRPA, is very pleased with the agreement with Somavrac. As he explained, “it strengthens our partnership with a company recognized for its excellence, and the Port of Trois-Rivières has always been able to rely on their quality and competitive logistics services. This agreement allows the Port of Trois-Rivières to continue providing high quality services to its users. The stability of the workforce is also assured with the signing in February of a 9-year collective agreement between the Maritime Employers Association and the Longshoremen’s Union”. [Translation]
Terminal 13 at the Port of Trois-Rivières allows Somavrac to handle all types of goods: solid bulk, liquid bulk, general cargo and project-specific cargo.

Mr. Marc Paquin, President of Groupe Somavrac; and Mr. Gaétan Boivin, President and CEO of the Trois-Rivières Port Authority on Terminal 13, with an outdoor storage area of 23,000 m².
About Somavrac
A user of the Port of Trois-Rivières since 1963, Somavrac offers specialized services in the multimodal handling of bulk goods. Through its various maritime, rail and road accesses, Somavrac has the necessary resources to fulfill customer’s logistics activities in full or in part. The company’s services include stevedoring, warehousing, transportation, distribution, handling, bagging and transformation of goods.

About the Port of Trois-Rivières
The Port of Trois-Rivières handles over 3 million metric tonnes of traffic and generates close to 900 direct jobs. It 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.

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. It is an important player in regional, national and international economic development for major industrial sectors such as the construction industry, aluminum, mining and agri-food.

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