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### **PORT COMMUNITY FOCUSES ON PORT OPERATIONS AND ENVIRONMENT**

The Association of Canadian Port Authorities (ACPA) will hold its annual *Port Operations & Environment Seminar* at the Vancouver Marriott Pinnacle Downtown on May 25 and 26, 2010. Tim Heney, President and Chief Executive Officer, Thunder Bay Port Authority and Chair of ACPA stressed the importance of the port community focusing on important operational issues, “The Association and Canadian ports must continue to work hard to maintain its social license to operate in the communities they serve.” The Association brings key port operators together once a year to look at how ports are doing their business and to seek new ways to do it better - in a sustainable manner. While the port business brings much prosperity to the regions of Canada from the \$162 billion in goods handled, it must ensure that its business is conducted in the best interests of all stakeholders including customers, neighbours and all levels of government.

This year’s Seminar will cover a broad ranges of issues including: shore power for ports; emissions control areas; port operations in the context of special events; dredging and disposal; supply chain performance and its impact on operations; environmental policy and programs; regional environmental initiatives; the terminal operators perspective; and more. Once a year it is important for port operators to share knowledge on best practices and new initiatives contemplated for the future.

Mr. Heney went on to say that, “We encourage all in the port community to attend this seminar including: port operators, shippers, terminal operators, government officials,

non-governmental organizations and those with an interest in goods movement.” This Seminar provides an excellent opportunity for those with an interest in the business of ports, directly or indirectly, to network and share relevant information about how we improve port operations for the benefit of ports and the regions they serve.

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