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CANADA'S MAJOR PORTS FOCUS ON GOOD GOVERNANCE

The Association's regular Governance Seminar will take place on October 23 & 24, at the Laurel Point Inn in Victoria, hosted by Greater Victoria Harbour Authority. This year's seminar will once again focus on the essentials of good governance for the port community. Chair of the Association, Sean Hanrahan, President and CEO, St. John's Port Authority says, "Good governance has always been a priority for Canada's ports and this is now more important than ever as ports continue to experience turnover in the composition of their corporate boards." He went on to say that, "This seminar affords us an opportunity to come together to hear experts in the field of governance and to have both directors and management consider best practices for good port governance for their organizations."

This year's session will address issues of direct importance to all boards such as board evaluation, board assessments, code of conduct, board/management issues, liability and other relevant matters. In addition to hearing from those who must operate within the ports sector there will be key experts in the field of corporate governance. "We believe it is critical

for all who work in the port sector to come together on a regular basis to take stock of the state of our governance practices,' says Sean Hanrahan.

Full program and registration details are provided on the ACPA website.

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