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CANADA PORTS GROUP HONOURS ONE OF THE FINEST IN ATLANTIC CANADA'S TRANSPORTATION SECTOR

The Board of Directors of the Association has approved the nomination for the prestigious *Medal of Merit* award. This year's recipient is Wes Armour, President and CEO of Armour Transportation Systems, a privately owned transportation and logistics management service headquartered in Moncton, New Brunswick. Its primary activities include a comprehensive network of 23 terminals in Atlantic Canada with extensive warehousing and distribution services provided in three provinces; a truckload division serving all of North America; a courier division serving all of Atlantic Canada; and dedicated port-related services.

The award will be presented at the upcoming Annual General Meeting and Conference in Saint John, August 17-20, 2008, at the Hilton Saint John Hotel. The *Medal of Merit* will be presented at the luncheon on Wednesday, August 20, 2008. The *Medal of Merit* is, "Made in recognition of outstanding works or service, preferably of national impact, by an individual, institution or organization in the port, shipping and maritime transportation fields." Mr. Armour meets this standard given his impressive career in the transportation field. Wes Armour built a small company from the ground floor up and it is now consistently ranked among the best-managed companies in Atlantic Canada with over 1700 employees. His company focuses on truckload, LTL services, ocean, intermodal and warehousing. All his employees place the highest importance on providing stellar customer service. "Atlantic Canada ports are only as strong as the landside services provided and Wes Armour has been among the best in providing customer focused services for shippers in the region and throughout North America," said Sean Hanrahan, President and CEO of the St. John's Port Authority and this year's Chair of the Association.

The *Medal of Merit* has been awarded annually by the Association since 1975. Past recipients have included Madeleine Paquin, CEO of Logistec Corporation; the Hon. David Collenette, former Minister of Transport; Michel Pouliot, President of the Canadian Marine Pilots Association; and Jack Leitch, Chair of the Upper Lakes Group.

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