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Fairview Container Terminal Super Post-Panamax Cranes Arriving August 21

Prince Rupert, B.C.; August 20, 2007 – The ZPMC vessel Zhen Hua 16, carrying Maher Terminals’ three super post-panamax cranes, is scheduled to sail into Prince Rupert Harbour and berth at the Fairview Container Terminal early Monday evening, August 20. The cranes will then be offloaded over a nine-day period.

The Fairview Terminal from Scott Road to the Viewing Area will continue to be inaccessible to the public to see the cranes’ arrival and offloading due to ongoing construction at the terminal.

“The Port recognizes that there is tremendous local and regional interest in seeing the cranes when they arrive,” says Manager Corporate Communications **Barry Bartlett**, “but the asphalt plant and trucks are operating in and around the Viewing Area 14 hours a day, and we don’t want to create safety risks for either the paving crews or the public.”

However, the Port of Prince Rupert is undertaking several initiatives to ensure everyone interested has a ‘front row’ view to watch the cranes’ progress.

“We have installed a new and improved webcam at the terminal, accessible from the homepage of our website, www.rupertport.com, where we can track the vessel’s approach to the berth and then zoom in for viewers to watch in real time the offloading of the cranes,” explains Bartlett.

“CityWest has also kindly offered their cablevision resources to videotape the cranes’ arrival and offloading progress over the nine days and show it on Channel 10. CityWest recognizes that there is a very high level of regional interest in this historic milestone. They are also sensitive to the fact that there are a number of people who are shut in, as well as working, who would like to see this momentous event.”

The Port will have commissionaires stationed at the top of Scott Road to remind people that the Viewing Area is closed to the public for their safety, notes **David Fisher**, the Port’s manager of operations & maintenance.

Fisher also stresses that boaters should stay at least 200 metres away from the Zhen Hua 16 when it’s under steam and 100 metres from the vessel at berth.

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Backgrounder

Super Post-Panamax Dock Gantry Cranes

Constructed by Shanghai Zhenhua Port Machinery Co, Ltd (ZPMC), one of the world's largest manufacturer of quayside container cranes.

of cranes: 3

Weight: 1,800 tonnes each

Height: 80 metres from ground to tip (25 storeys).

Tallest building in Prince Rupert is Howard Johnson Highliner Plaza - 17 storeys

Lift capacity: 65 metric tonnes

Reach: 22 containers across

