

## 143844 Incoming Prince Rupert Port Authority--Followup letter to November breakfast meeting

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Dear Minister Ralston,

Please find attached correspondence related to our breakfast meeting with yourself, Jennifer Rice, Minister Donaldson, Minister Chow, and Mr. Andrews from Minister Mungall's office.

As referenced in the correspondence, please also find attached a short backgrounder on liquid bulk exports through the Port of Prince Rupert.

Sincerely,

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December 17, 2018

Honourable Bruce Ralston  
Minister of Trade, Training and Technology  
Government of British Columbia

Dear Minister Ralston:

Thank you for taking the time to join our November 8 discussion about the Port of Prince Rupert as we continue our expansion plan as a Gateway for Asia Pacific Trade. We appreciate the significant demands on your time and are grateful you were able to join us along with your colleagues.

We hope you agree that the Prince Rupert Port Authority's strategic and sustainable approach to development and operations are well aligned with key elements of your government's values, and you can share in our vision of developing our gateway as a legacy that will continue to advance BC's competitiveness and prosperity for decades to come.

The Port has become a vital pacific gateway connecting Canadian and U.S. markets with Asia, and a catalyst for economic growth and export trade in northern BC. Last year, we moved more than \$35 billion worth of trade through our Gateway generating more than \$1 billion of economic activity in northern BC and supporting more than 5,200 direct and indirect jobs throughout the region.

The key to the Prince Rupert Port Authority's success has been our emphasis on innovation and partnerships – whether it is with shippers, our port tenants, labour, communities, local First Nations, or the federal, provincial and municipal governments. During our breakfast, we discussed a number of issues important to the operations and growth of the Port including:

- New gateway infrastructure that is required to facilitate our growth and expansion
- The growth of liquid bulk cargo opportunities through projects like Altagas and Vopak
- The opportunity for expanded and new containerized BC exports such as forestry and agriculture, and
- Growth challenges facing the community of Prince Rupert, including labour supply and municipal infrastructure.

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Based on the feedback we received during our meeting and the questions you and your colleagues had about liquid bulk exports, we have attached a one-page fact sheet to assist you in answering questions you may receive about these projects that will maximize the value of northeast BC's energy sector for all British Columbians by improving its strategic market access.

It was suggested that we arrange a follow-up meeting to continue our discussion with the Ministers of Finance, Transportation, and Agriculture, who were unable to join our meeting. We agree this would be useful and will follow up with your office to discuss arranging this meeting.

The provincial government's ongoing support of the Prince Rupert Port Authority, our vision, and our continuing development of the port is important to me and is critical to our success. I look forward to strengthening our positive relationship in the months ahead.

If you have any further questions about the Port, please feel free to contact me, or Ken Veldman directly at (250) 600-0670.

Sincerely,

**PRINCE RUPERT PORT AUTHORITY**

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Shaun Stevenson  
President & Chief Executive Officer

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Honourable Doug Donaldson, Minister of Forests, Lands & Natural Resources  
Honourable Michelle Mungall, Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources  
Honourable George Chow, Minister of State for Trade  
Jennifer Rice, MLA, North Coast

# Fact Sheet: *LIQUID BULK CARGO*

The Prince Rupert Port Authority has developed this fact sheet to provide helpful information to elected officials on the basics of liquid bulk cargo at the Port. Should you require further information, please call **Ken Veldman**, *Vice President of Public Affairs and Sustainability*, at **250-627-2526**.

## *About Liquid Bulk Cargo at the Port of Prince Rupert*

- Liquid bulk refers to products transported by marine tanker vessels, including propane, liquefied natural gas, methanol, refined fuels, and agricultural oils such as canola.
- The Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure's Trade Transportation Network forecasts there is an opportunity to realize more than 10M tonnes of liquid bulk cargo at the Port in the next decade.
- Liquid bulk capabilities at the Port of Prince Rupert will enable BC and Western Canadian products to gain access to international markets. Further, these projects will:
  - o Add over \$1 billion annually to the value of Canadian exports.
  - o Create over 300 jobs during construction and over 100 permanent operations jobs locally in addition to supporting jobs at source in production and value-added refining.
  - o Provide new skills training and employment opportunities for local First Nations
  - o Contribute to new and diversified economic and employment opportunities at the Port and in northwest BC.
- Prince Rupert is one of the safest harbours available for transiting deep sea vessels and their cargoes:
  - o The depth and width of the harbour and its approaches and minimal vessel traffic provides for a minimal navigational risk profile.
  - o Our marine safety partners are committed to ongoing investments and improvements to navigational aids and technologies to further mitigate navigational risk.
  - o We are working with terminal operators, BC Coast Pilots and the Canadian Coast Guard to define practices and procedures for safe vessel operations at berth and in transit.
  - o Bill C-48, the Oil Tanker Moratorium Act, prohibits crude or persistent oils from being loaded or unloaded along the north coast.
  - o Incident response capacities at the Port of Prince Rupert include West Coast Marine Response Corporation, Canadian Coast Guard, and large vessel tug and towage service.
- Liquid bulk will be transported to the Port of Prince Rupert using CN's rail network:
  - o CN has been handling liquid bulk for a long time across its entire network, and has the expertise, equipment and training necessary to ensure it is transported safely.
  - o Tank car design is specific to the type of liquid bulk being carried and is regulated by Transport Canada.
  - o The federal government has recently increased safety standards for shipping dangerous goods, including increased regulatory requirements for Emergency Response Action Plans, tank cars, and community/local responder information requirements.

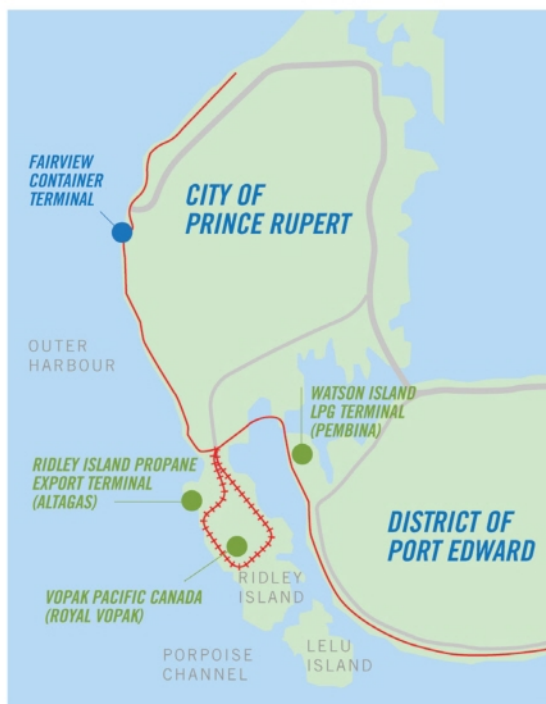


### ***About Ridley Island Propane Export Terminal (AltaGas)***

- AltaGas will operate the first propane export terminal on Canada's west coast, shipping up to 1.2 million tonnes from northeast BC/northern AB to Japan and other Asian markets.
- It is currently under construction on Ridley Island and is expected to be in service by Q1 of 2019.
- A significant private sector investment, the \$500M project enjoys broad stakeholder and community support.

### ***About Vopak Pacific Canada (Royal Vopak)***

- Vopak is currently investigating the opportunity to construct and operate a new bulk liquid tank storage and marine berthing and loading facility on Ridley Island with an estimated total capacity of 7 million tonnes.
- The project is currently in the early stages of a coordinated federal and provincial environmental assessment process.
- The proposed 'open access' terminal would store and export multiple bulk liquid products from western Canada to international markets, including:
  - Natural gas liquids such as propane and butane (Liquefied Petroleum Gases).
  - Manufactured petrochemicals such as methanol.
  - Value-added petroleum products such as diesel and gasoline.
- The proposed terminal takes advantage of existing port infrastructure assets and maximizes the volume of cargo being shipped on a small parcel of land.



***For further information:***

**Ken Veldman**

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## 152075 Incoming BC Government Investment in Port of Prince Rupert to Spark Economic Recovery

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Good Afternoon,

People who live and work in Northern BC will benefit from today's announcement of a \$25 million investment by the BC Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure in the Prince Rupert Port Authority's Ridley Island Export Logistics Platform.

The project will create a platform to enhance the Port of Prince Rupert's capacity for transloading Northern BC and Western Canadian natural resource products such as lumber, pulp, mineral concentrates, cereal grains and speciality agriculture crops to containers for export to international markets.

Jennifer Rice, MLA for North Coast, on behalf of Rob Fleming, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure said "it will support regional businesses and provide the necessary infrastructure to boost our provincial economy to help build back stronger from the hit of the COVID-19 pandemic. This is an important investment in the future of Prince Rupert and of BC as a whole."

Once completed, the platform will increase the port's export transload capacity from 75,000 TEUs to over 400,000 TEUs annually. Our CEO Shaun Stevenson said that "this pivotal project presents an unprecedented opportunity for sustainable economic recovery, improved competitiveness, and greater diversification and stability throughout Northern BC."

To learn more about the Export Logistics Platform please reach out to me or go to <https://www.rupertport.com/logistics-platform/> for more information.

To learn more about today announcement please go to [Port Investment to Create Jobs, Spark Economic Recovery](#).

Kind Regards,



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### Prince Rupert

Good Morning,

Please see attached letter from Shaun Stevenson, President & CEO, Prince Rupert Port Authority.

Kind Regards,



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**RE: Invitation to Visit and Learn about the Port of Prince Rupert**

Dear Premier Horgan and Ministers:

As your government maps out a plan for British Columbia's economic recovery while meeting your CleanBC commitments, I am writing to offer an update on recent and emerging developments at the Port of Prince Rupert that I believe can contribute meaningfully to your efforts on both fronts.

The Port of Prince Rupert remains well positioned to partner with your government on opportunities to expand and diversify BC's international trade and meet growing demand in a low carbon future. Our cargo volumes, capacity and capabilities continue to grow as we deliver key exports of BC's natural resources and value-added industries through a variety of terminals and transportation modes.

Your government's recent contribution of \$25 million to improve and expand container transload infrastructure at the Ridley Island Export Logistics Platform is an important example of shared strategic vision and a mutually beneficial investment partnership. The development of disruptive, innovative supply chain solutions that add value to new export products in forestry, agriculture, and petrochemical industries are critical to BC's economic competitiveness and diversification.



Looking ahead, we see a significant growth opportunity in the area of bulk liquid storage and export, building on the success of propane export terminals recently developed by AltaGas and Pembina at the Port of Prince Rupert. Many of you will be aware of the Vopak Pacific Canada proposal to construct a new bulk liquids terminal facility at the Port, and the critical role it will play in handling a variety of Western Canadian exports that are meeting increasing global demand for transitional, low-carbon products. This is well aligned with your recently released BC Hydrogen Strategy, Low Carbon Industrial Strategy, and northern export diversification efforts broadly.

Please consider this letter an invitation to visit our facilities at your convenience to discuss current operations, construction projects and expansion plans by seeing it firsthand. I believe such a government tour could go a long way toward demonstrating to the public the good work that's been done as a result of our partnership, and the value of the Port in the context of the province's economic recovery and CleanBC plans heading into COP26.

Thank you and I look forward to continuing to build the positive relationship we have built over the last four years to create jobs and economic opportunity across all areas of BC.

Sincerely,

**PRINCE RUPERT PORT AUTHORITY**



Shaun Stevenson  
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## RE: 156209 Meeting Request - Prince Rupert Port Authority

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Good afternoon Leila,

On behalf of Minister Ravi Kahlon, thank you for your meeting request, and we apologize for our delay in response. Minister Kahlon is unfortunately unable to meet at this time, as his time is currently being taken up by the items related to the state of emergency in BC. Please kindly extend his sincere regrets to the Prince Rupert Port Authority.

Warm regards,  
**Office of the Minister of Jobs, Economic Recovery and Innovation**

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Hi Ravi and Richa,

I'm emailing you this afternoon on behalf of a client I work with, the Prince Rupert Port Authority.

Their president and CEO, Shaun Stevenson, will be in Victoria later this month and is hoping to meet with Minister Kahlon for 30-minutes to discuss their Vopak and Ridley Island Export Logistics Platform projects and how these projects support the province's economic recovery efforts.

Shaun will be in town November 17, 18, 19, 25 and 26. He is happy to meet in-person or virtually, depending on the minister's preference.

Please let me know if it's possible to schedule a meeting.

Thank you,

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# **British Columbia Budget 2023 Consultation Submission**

Prince Rupert Port Authority

Submission to the  
Standing Committee on Finance and  
Government Services

June 24, 2022

## **Submission on Budget 2023 Consultation**

In response to the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services request, the Prince Rupert Port Authority (PRPA) has taken this opportunity to provide input into the Government of British Columbia's Budget 2023 planning process.

The Port of Prince Rupert continues to play a pivotal role in ensuring the increased and fluid movement of Canadian goods, which during this time of global supply chain congestion, energy transition, and geopolitical upheaval is vital for Canada's economic recovery and growth. As the fastest growing port in North America, the Port of Prince Rupert provides significant economic and social benefits for communities throughout the Prince Rupert Gateway thanks to the \$60 billion worth of international trade moving through the port annually.

Budget 2023 provides an opportunity for the Government of British Columbia to build on the *StrongerBC for Everyone Economic Plan* by continuing to prioritize investment into building more resilient and reliable supply chain systems, in particular the Prince Rupert Gateway. We continue to see climate change events impacting communities and the free movement of goods in southern British Columbia and the ongoing impacts of COVID-19, market disruptions and global conflict. As disruptions continue to occur, we need to ensure that British Columbia has reliable and resilient supply chains that ensure the free movement of BC imports and exports, allowing communities and businesses to flourish both economically and socially.

To continue capitalizing on the economic and social benefits the Port of Prince Rupert provides British Columbians, PRPA has proposed the following recommendations for inclusion in Budget 2023:

### **Developing Resilient & Reliable Supply Chain Gateways**

Recommendation 1 - On-Going Investment into Gateway Expansion – pg. 7

Recommendation 2 - Development of a Northern BC Export Strategy – pg. 7

### **Sustainable Growth & Opportunities for Everyone**

Recommendation 3 - Government Investment into Critical Community Infrastructure – pg. 8

Recommendation 4 - Investment into Skilled Labour Training Facility in Prince Rupert – pg. 8

Recommendation 5 - Coastal Communities Tourism Strategy & Funding – pg. 9

### **Expanding Sustainable Operations for the Future**

Recommendation 6 - Piloting Sustainable Expansion Initiatives – pg. 9



## Prince Rupert Port Authority

PRPA is a Canadian Port Authority established under the *Canada Marine Act, 1998*. Its purpose is to build a better Canada by growing trade and is mandated to develop the Port of Prince Rupert to support and add competitive value to Canadian trade, manage federal crown lands dedicated to that mandate and ensure the safe transit of vessels in and out of the harbour through effective oversight. Currently, the Port facilitates both imports and exports through six primary terminals owned and operated by private sector tenants leasing property in PRPA jurisdiction.

### PORT OF PRINCE RUPERT TERMINALS



## Prince Rupert Gateway: BC's Strategic Trade Corridor for Economic Growth & Prosperity

The Prince Rupert Gateway is a strategic trade corridor for Canada to international markets and continues to facilitate critical market access for BC imports and exports. The Gateway supports the movement of imports and exports through the Port of Prince Rupert, which is the northernmost port on the West Coast and the third largest in Canada.

Building upon the strategic natural advantages of the Port, as outlined below, and the ongoing collaboration between Gateway partners, the Prince Rupert Gateway has continued to grow and diversify cargo volume, unlock private sector investments in new infrastructure capacity, and add value to Canadian trade.



## **Economic Benefits**

With over \$60 billion worth of international trade moving through the Prince Rupert Gateway, the port supported 6100 full-time jobs in Northern BC and over \$360 million in labour wages. During a time when economic hardship, market and climate change disruptions have impacted communities throughout British Columbia, the Prince Rupert Gateway has proven its resiliency, efficiency and reliability as a strategic trade corridor and economic engine for gateway communities.

Federal, provincial and local governments are positively impacted by gateway growth as stipends, personal tax, corporate tax, and property tax support increased government revenue from operations. In 2020, the Federal and British Columbia governments were the largest recipients of the \$147 million in taxation collected from gateway operations. Local government tax revenues from port development have increased from \$4.9 million per year in 2011 to \$13.4 million in 2021, a 174% increase in the last 10 years.

## **Community Collaboration**

The success of the Prince Rupert Gateway relies on working in collaboration with local community and Indigenous partners. In this spirit, PRPA has made it a priority that operations reflect local values, and that a significant portion of our resources are invested back into communities. Since 2009, \$15 million has been committed to PRPA's Community Investment Fund, which includes \$1 million in the Skeena River Salmon Enhancement Program, to support community enhancing projects.

Local Indigenous residents, governments, and businesses have participated significantly in the opportunities presented by the growth and expansion of the Prince Rupert Gateways, growing economic capacity through benefit agreements, revenue sharing, employment in gateway industry businesses, and construction and operational contract opportunities and entrepreneurial business ventures. Highlights include:



- Since 2011, revenue sharing agreements have provided financial benefits for local and Indigenous communities,
- Since 2011, contracts totaling \$230 million have been provided to Indigenous businesses,
- Over 38% of employees in local gateway-related businesses are Indigenous, which mirrors the local community representation,
- Continued collaboration between Port and Indigenous commercial businesses – logistics, trucking, construction, maintenance, marine and more, and
- Considerable collaboration with Indigenous governments and organizations to ensure sustainable management for monitoring, preventative and capacity initiatives.

As the Government of British Columbia starts to develop Budget 2023, PRPA asks that you include the following recommendations:

## **Budget 2023 Recommendations**

### **Developing Resilient & Reliable Supply Chain Gateways**

The Port of Prince Rupert has helped to build a more inclusive and stable supply chain gateway, known as the Prince Rupert Gateway, through the expansion and diversification of Port operations, while always maintaining the commitment of sustainable growth. Port growth has translated into significant economic benefits for local and regional communities throughout the Gateway. The many businesses throughout the corridor directly involved with moving trade to and from international markets are a significant service industry and compete globally for that business.

British Columbia continues to be an economic driver for Canada thanks to strong export sectors like forestry, petrochemicals, mining, and agriculture. The last two years have negatively impacted BC's export industries due to ongoing supply chain congestion, and these vital industries need stable and competitive supply chains that provide value-add benefits to BC exports through access to diverse markets, and greater transportation efficiency and reliability. The Prince Rupert Gateway will be able to continue providing that through ongoing expansion of trade infrastructure capacity and capabilities.

Currently, there is \$2.5 billion in new private sector expansion projects at the Port under construction and in advanced stages of investigation that will provide new market access opportunities for export-based industries and over \$200 million invested in 2021 for rail infrastructure to expand capacity in Northern BC. Gateway projects include:

#### **1. DP World Fairview Container Terminal Expansion**

DP World Canada will complete the first phase of the Fairview Terminal expansion on July 2022 which will increase the terminals capacity from 1.35 million to 1.6 million TEUs, helping to meet the Port's future growth in intermodal trade and support much needed supply chain container capacity for BC businesses. DP World is currently undergoing regulatory review for a second phase expansion of the Fairview Terminal, which will increase annual capacity to 1.8 million TEUs.

#### **2. Fairview-Ridley Connector Corridor**

Aligned with the opening of the Fairview Terminal expansion, PRPA has been constructing a \$115 million Fairview-Ridley Connector Corridor, which begin operations in July 2022. It will connect Fairview Terminal to Ridley Island and enable truck traffic to be rerouted off public roads and reduce the truck journey from 20 km to 5 km, having significant safety and sustainability benefits for local communities.

### 3. Ridley Island Export Logistics Project

The Ridley Island Export Logistics Project (RIELP), one of the Port's intermodal expansion projects, will add value to Canadian exports through greater optimization of supply chains, containerization of products, and more competitive access to global markets. This innovative project, estimated at \$1 billion in private and public sector investment, will have an annual export transload capacity of 400,000 TEUs, supporting BC's forestry, agricultural and mining sectors with enhanced competitiveness.

### 4. South Kaien Island Import Logistics Park

South Kaien Island Import Logistics Park (SKILP) is another important intermodal expansion project being developed by PRPA and Metlakatla First Nation. Estimated at \$100 million, the import logistics park will have a 4 million TEUs annual capacity and provide much needed flexibility for commercial partners with transloading and warehousing capacity of imports.

### 5. Vopak Liquid Bulk Storage & Export Terminal

Building on the success of AltaGas' Ridley Island Propane Export Terminal, and Pembina's Prince Rupert (LPG) Terminal, Vopak Development Canada is developing an open access liquid bulk terminal that will store and ship liquid bulk exports such as liquefied petroleum gas (LPGs), refined fuels and methanol. This project, estimated at \$900 million in private sector investment, will have an annual capacity of over 7 million tonnes of liquid bulk product, and reflects the increasing global demand for Western Canada's low-carbon transition fuels and manufacturing inputs. The Vopak Terminal project passed a major milestone in May 2022, receiving its Government of British Columbia environmental assessment certificate. A federal environmental effects evaluation still needs to be completed before final investment decision can be made.





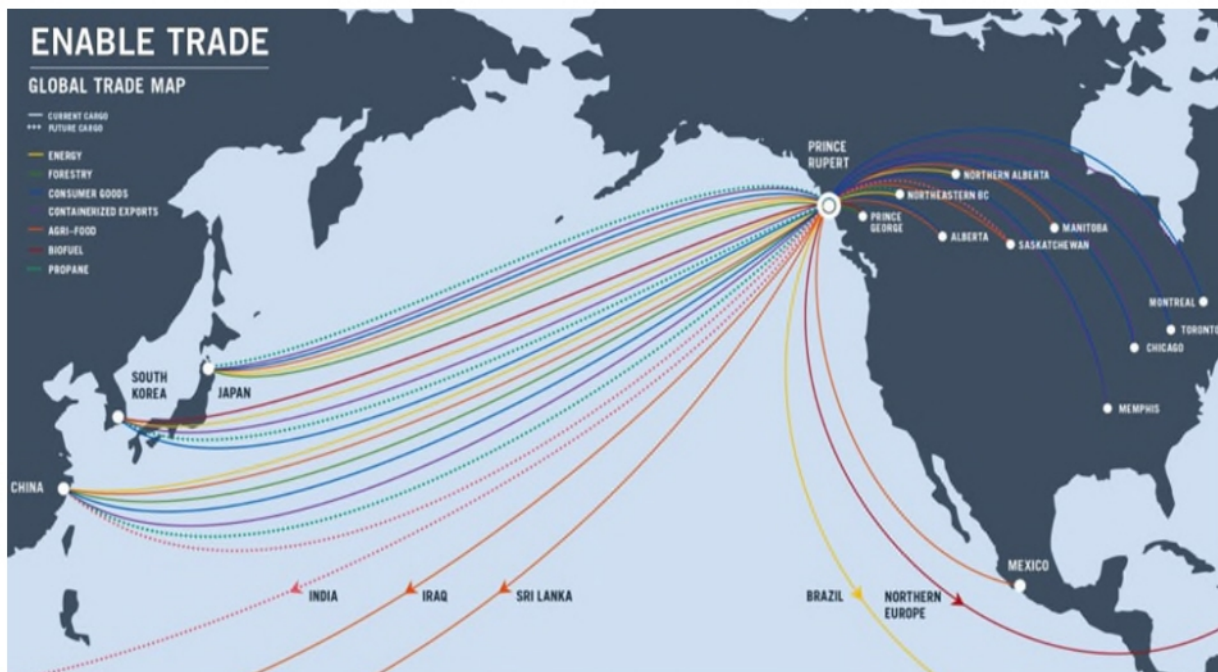
The *StrongerBC For Everyone Economic Plan* reinforced the importance of having resilient and reliable supply chain gateways and the Government of British Columbia committed to both a *Trade Diversification Strategy* and a *Goods Movement Strategy*, that will help to capitalize on the economic importance the transportation sector provides BC's economy. With the development of these Strategies, PRPA has recommendations in Budget 2023 for initiatives and funding that should be included.

### Recommendation 1 – On-Going Investment into Gateway Expansion

Targeted public sector investment into critical supply chain solutions, particularly in areas that build future redundancy and related community infrastructure, has the ability to unlock significant private sector investment into large infrastructure projects in the public interest. The Government of British Columbia, through economic plans, have invested in Port related infrastructure, including \$25 million to the Ridley Island Export Logistics Project. The importance put on funding port and gateway related infrastructure demonstrates BC's leadership in building reliable supply chains, especially as we have witnessed severe impacts to our supply chains. The Prince Rupert gateway offers unique opportunities to grow innovative, productive capacity for Canadian industries. The development of formal investment programs to support the development of trade infrastructure within the *Trade Diversification Strategy* are necessary to continue achieving the economic benefits the export industries provide our local, regional and national economies.

### Recommendation 2 – Development of a Northern BC Export Strategy

British Columbia has an export economy, supported by resource industries exporting to domestic and international markets. The *Goods Movement Strategy* must be focused on utilizing all modes of transportation – marine, rail and road – as each sector are integral to the movement of BC exports to diverse markets. Through this strategy, BC should undertake a strategic Northern BC trade corridor plan in order to coordinate investments and maximize the potential for future export growth. The BC government has a unique role to play to bring together communities and stakeholders in a process that ensures coordination, collaboration, and prioritization of related initiatives and solutions that ensures BC exports are able to go to vast international markets through the Port of Prince Rupert.



### **Sustainable Growth & Opportunities for Everyone**

As the Port of Prince Rupert continues to grow trade and cargo volumes that flow through the gateway, it also continues to create jobs and demand for future labour. In Prince Rupert, where approximately 38% of the local labour force is Indigenous, port growth has purposefully entrenched local indigenous communities into the economic success of the port, in terms of financial benefits, preferred contracting opportunities, and employment opportunities.

The Port's location in the relatively small community of Prince Rupert provides many strategic advantages, but the communities and their local governments are also tasked with managing growth pressures. Port activities are forecasted to create an average 300 new jobs per year over the next decade and may push local population from its current 13,000 people to closer to 20,000 people over the next decade to meet labour demand.

PRPA recognizes that the Port's ability to reach its forecasts are dependent on a community that sustainably grows with it. Given the Port's strategic role in growing the competitiveness and diversification of Canadian exports, this means the local communities' ability to manage growth has a national-level impact. Municipal utilities, housing, social and community infrastructure will all be important for local governments and will require provincial engagement to best manage them.

### **Recommendation 3 – Government Investment into Critical Community Infrastructure**

To support small communities like Prince Rupert, the Government of British Columbia needs to support municipal and Indigenous government initiatives to plan, develop and finance solutions to key community infrastructure challenges, recognizing their direct connections to supporting the successful expansion of ports. While local industrial tax bases have benefited from port development, the current capital investment challenges related to aging infrastructure and an extremely tight housing market require innovative financial partnerships with senior governments, recognizing their unique role in the provincial and national interest. The development of sustainable, livable communities also plays a critical role in ensuring continued ability to recruit and retain new residents from other provincial, national and international sources.

### **Recommendation 4 – Investment into Skilled Labour Training Facility in Prince Rupert**

The labour market has changed drastically over the last few years and gateway partners in Prince Rupert are finding it difficult to attract and retain people to fill jobs that keep BC goods moving. Gateway services provide good paying job opportunities that attract talent from all over Canada, but with the ongoing labour crunch there is a greater priority to train and transition local residents into skilled trades and labour opportunities.

A major concern for local residents has been a financial barrier due to the lack of training facilities and programs in Prince Rupert. Skilled trades and waterfront training facilities are located outside of Prince Rupert, making it difficult for residents to leave for long periods of time to get trained and certified. The costs associated with travel, stay, food and training can be prohibitive for residents, restricting their ability to capitalize on the growing local job opportunities.

As the Port of Prince Rupert continues to grow and new technology is implemented to incorporate new technologies and de-carbonize gateway operations, the Government of British Columbia needs to invest and work with post-secondary institutions, labour groups and gateway industry partners in the development of a skilled trades training facility in Prince Rupert that will remove financial barriers and ensure skilled labour is available within the Prince Rupert Gateway.



## **Recommendation 5 – Coastal Communities Tourism Strategy & Funding**

As COVID restrictions have started to be lifted, Prince Rupert has seen a resurgence of the local cruise industry as a destination within the Alaska cruise market. The cruise industry has traditionally provided \$2 billion in economic activity in British Columbia and thousands of jobs in the tourism and hospitality sectors. To fully maximize the economic benefits from this opportunity, the Government of British Columbia needs to develop a tourism strategy and funding programs develop coastal communities as tourism destinations, including the development of export-ready tourism products and the ability to leverage their natural attributes to support a more stable tourism sector.

### **Expanding Sustainable Operations for the Future**

Ports and marine transportation are underutilized by governments in mitigating and adapting to climate change. As the global marine transportation and supply chains transition to new fuel sources and innovative vessel designs, ports have to adapt to ensure Canada continues to be a port of call.

PRPA is committed to sustainable growth and has developed a Carbon Emissions Reduction Strategy to reduce current Port emission intensity by 30% by 2030 and become carbon neutral by 2050. To meet PRPA's carbon emissions reduction targets, expansion of sustainable operations include:

1. Expansion of Shore Power at Fairview Terminal  
To reduce marine vessels idling at berth, PRPA is advancing the expansion of shore power technology to reduce carbon emissions at terminal berths. It will be operational in Q4 2022.
2. Electrification of Industrial Vehicles  
Electrification of industrial diesel vehicles used in port operations, including drayage and yard trucks, cargo handling equipment, and additional port equipment.
3. Alternative Fuels for Port Operations  
Researching and identifying alternative fuel sources to supply energy for port operations, including hydrogen, electrification, etc.

## **Recommendation 6 – Piloting Sustainable Expansion Initiatives**

PRPA has been working to further mitigate its environmental footprint and carbon emissions through new and innovative initiatives. The Government should collaborate with ports to initiate research and pilot programs to expand sustainable operations within the supply chain industry.

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<b>Meeting:</b>	Prince Rupert Port Authority – Budget 2023 Submission
<b>Topic:</b>	how PRPA is a leading innovator strengthening Canada's supply chain
<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	August 15@ 2:00-3:00pm
<b>Location/Link:</b>	MS Teams

<b>Meeting Materials</b>	Attached
<b>Attending from JERI:</b>	MO: Sachin  Ministry: Chris Rathbone to attend
<b>Attending from (other ministry/stakeholder):</b>	Ken Veldman, VP of Public Affairs & Sustainability
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**MEETING NOTE**

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**PREPARED FOR:** Honourable George Chow, Minister of State for Trade, Ministry of Jobs, Economic Recovery and Innovation

**MEETING WITH:** Prince Rupert Port Authority

**DATE AND TIME OF MEETING:** Aug. 15-16, date and time TBD

**ATTENDEES:**

- Ken Veldman, VP of Public Affairs, Prince Rupert Port Authority

**ISSUE(S):**

- To discuss the Gateway Expansion & Development of a Northern BC Export Strategy.

**BACKGROUND:**

- On June 24, 2022, Prince Rupert Port Authority (PRPA) prepared a British Columbia Budget 2023 Consultation Submission (Attachment I), to provide input into the BC Government's Budget 2023 planning process.
- PRPA has proposed the following topics for inclusion in Budget 2023:
  - Developing Resilient & Reliable Supply Chain Gateways
  - Sustainable Growth & Opportunities for Everyone
  - Expanding Sustainable Operations for the Future
- With over \$60 billion worth of international trade moving through the Prince Rupert Gateway, the port supported 6,100 full-time jobs in Northern BC and over \$360 million in labour wages.

**DISCUSSION:**

- On July 19, 2022, DM Plecas was in Prince Rupert and met with PRPA President Shaun Stenson, and Ken Veldman, VP of Public Affairs. According to PRPA, the topics discussed include port expansion projects, international trade diversification the port provides through increased containerization, and intergovernmental advocacy needed with the federal government.
- On June 14, 2022, senior officials of Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MOTI), including ADM Kevin Volk, visited Prince Rupert, to discuss the BC Economic Plan and the work being done on expanding transportation corridors, such as the development of a Provincial Goods Movement Strategy. MOTI has

provided \$25 million to PRPA's Ridley Island Export Logistics Platform (RIELP) project.

- Since January 2022, JERI, including BC's Innovation Commissioner Gerri Sinclair, has been working with PRPA staff to develop a test bed at the Port under the Integrated Marketplace Initiative (IMI), a key component of the StrongerBC economic plan. To date, the IMI has brought key Port stakeholders together to begin identifying ways to address common business problems, while reducing emissions, increasing efficiencies and improving safety.

#### **SUGGESTED RESPONSE/KEY MESSAGING:**

- The Prince Rupert Gateway is a strategic trade corridor for Canada and BC to international markets.
- The PRPA's Consultation Submission will be useful for the BC Government's Budget 2023 planning process.
- The Ministry is looking forward to working with PRPA this fall to advance the Integrated Marketplace Initiative, including formalizing an alliance of Port stakeholders who are interested in finding, and piloting, tech solutions to improve the movement of containers and drayage trucks.

#### **ATTACHMENT:**

Attachment I - PRPA's British Columbia Budget 2023 Consultation Submission

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