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GROWTH IN MARITIME TRANSPORT: 65 NEW POSITIONS OPENING AT THE PORT OF MONTREAL

Montreal, September 10th, 2018 – A clear sign of the vitality of maritime transport activities in Montreal, the Maritime Employers Association (MEA) is announcing the creation of 65 new full-time positions at the Port of Montreal. These jobs represent an investment of close to \$ 8 million annually and will help meet the demands of the strong growth in container traffic from Europe at the Port of Montreal. Over the coming weeks, 50 longshoremen and 15 checkers will join the already 1200 employees of the MEA. These new positions are in addition to the extension of the terminal gate opening hours, further increasing the fluidity of the supply chain.

“The Port of Montreal is the daily transit point for thousands of tons of goods and raw materials that are essential to the needs of millions of people and to industry supply chains in every sector,” explains Stéphane Morency, President and CEO of the MEA. “Since the signing of the Canada-European Union Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement, the Port of Montreal has become a preferred shipping route for carriers to access the markets in central Canada and the American Midwest,” he adds, noting also that nearly 16,000 direct and indirect jobs depend on port activities.

The Port of Montreal is the second largest port in Canada, serving 40 million people within one day by truck and 70 million people within less than two days by train. Located 1,600 km inland, the Port of Montreal is a preferred shipping route for European carriers and generates \$ 2.1 billion in economic benefits annually.

About the Maritime Employers Association

The Maritime Employers Association is a non-profit organization comprised of member companies working in the maritime sector. Members of the Association include ship owners, operators and agents as well as stevedoring companies and terminal operators.

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