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### **THE PORT OF WINDSOR WELCOMES THE FIRST SALTY OF THE 2011 SEASON.**

April 11, 2011 Windsor, ON – The Fednav vessel M.V Federal Leda was officially welcomed into the Port of Windsor as the first overseas vessel arrival (salty) for the 2011 shipping and navigation season, following its docking at Morterm Terminals on April 5, 2011. The Windsor Port Authority Harbourmaster Peter Berry, Morterm Limited Theresa Boutette and Windsor Shipping Agency, Robin Waugh officially welcomed Captain Rafal Kapuscinski aboard the ship. The ship offloaded steel before continuing up the Great Lakes to complete it's journey

The St. Lawrence Seaway Management Corporation (SLSMC) predicted that cargo shipments would rise by about seven per cent to 39.1 million tonnes for 2011 as it marked the official opening of its 53rd navigation season. Earlier this month at the opening of the Lambert Locks, Stephen Wilkes, a senior executive with Tata Steel, which has operations in Ohio, Indiana, and the Province of Ontario stated "marine transportation plays a key role for the steel industry and its customers, enabling the efficient movement of raw materials, semi-finished, and finished products which directly contribute to the Canadian and U.S. manufacturing base" said Mr. Wilkes. "We need to work together to ensure that all stakeholders recognize the importance of the Great Lakes Seaway System's role in supporting hundreds of thousands of jobs.". Morterm Limited based in Windsor, Ontario provides a range of material handling services including stevedoring, steel storage and handling, warehousing for an array of goods, including project cargoes, bulk products and trans-shipment operations for steel and other industrial products.

"Seaway System traffic flows", stated David Cree, President and CEO of the Windsor Port Authority, "complement the Port of Windsor well with both domestic laker and ocean going project fleets carrying various cargoes from steel, aggregate, cement, bunker oil, liquid asphalt, salt, grain, canola, grains and even windmill parts. Fednav is a great partner of the Port of Windsor and their salty's (international vessels) are frequent callers in Windsor linking Southern Ontario to the world."

According to Charles Pingle, Chairman of the Board of the Windsor Port Authority, "the City of Windsor is poised for a significant construction boom with numerous major infrastructure projects either already commenced or scheduled to start within the next year. This is very good news for the local stone terminals, and we are projecting that the next 5 years should meet and potentially surpass the records established in the late 1990's."

The Windsor Port Authority administers federal lands within the Port and serves as a collective spokesperson for the port users representing their interests on various municipal, provincial, and federal issues.

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