

Transportation's Top Stories

Air Transport Updates

CANADA

Hamilton airport getting cargo upgrade



Source: Inside Logistics

The John C. Munro international airport in Hamilton, Ontario, is expanding cargo operations with a \$47 million project. The project will allow the airport, which is home base for Cargojet, to handle increased cargo operations. It will strengthen and expand airfield and de-icing capacity, strengthen and rehabilitate key airport infrastructure, such as aprons and taxiways, improve stormwater management systems, and construct a dedicated roadway for cargo operations over the next two years, starting in 2023. The total project cost is \$46.9 million, and Transport Canada's National Trade Corridors Fund (NTCF) investment will contribute \$23.4 million, with remainder being privately funded and managed by the airport operator, TradePort International Corporation, as part of its capital investment plan. The airfield work will be completed in phases over the next two years to ensure uninterrupted operations to existing 24/7 operations.

Hamilton airport getting cargo upgrade, January 27, 2023, www.insidelogistics.ca

Air Canada Cargo Continues Investing to Improve Operations, Products and Services



Source: Air Canada

Air Canada Cargo on January 31, 2023 unveiled a renewed customer reception area at its London Heathrow facility, marking one of the latest investments in improving its services to customers around the globe. The reception area is the first part of a wider project to modernize many parts of its London facility, which is Air Canada Cargo's largest European hub. The revitalized reception area in this self-handled facility provides a new customer area to receive trucked shipments. Incorporating many design elements found in Air Canada's premium offerings at airports, the London Heathrow cargo customer reception area includes a living wall featuring three types of locallysourced mosses that help purify the air in the reception area, reflecting Air Canada's sustainability efforts. The new space also includes improved workstations for Air Canada Cargo customer service agents to better serve clients. This improvement to our London Heathrow facility is the first of many investments in both customer-facing areas and our operations. Air Canada Cargo also inaugurated its new cold chain facility at its global hub at Toronto-Pearson as an integral part of a multi-year modernization program at the facility. It introduced temperature controlled Releve containers, part of the AC Absolute

solution, for transporting pharmaceuticals, and began offering specialized equine transport services on its freighters.

Air Canada Cargo Continues Investing to Improve Operations, Products and Services, January 31, 2023, www.aircanada.ca

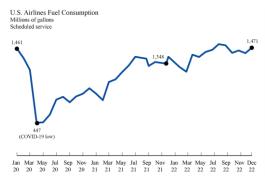
Porter Airlines touches down in Ottawa and Montreal with first Embraer E195-E2 flights connecting Toronto Pearson

Porter Airlines is celebrating its first flights with the new Embraer E195-E2 between Toronto Pearson International Airport (YYZ), and Ottawa International Airport (YOW) and Montreal-Trudeau International Airport (YUL). The introduction of E195-E2 service on these routes, which are also served by Porter's Dash 8-400 operations at Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport (YTZ), means passengers have more choice when travelling to and from the Greater Toronto Area. As it expands from Pearson Airport, Porter will be the only airline with comprehensive networks at both of Toronto's main airports, focusing on regional flights via Billy Bishop and other top North American destinations at Pearson. Additional flights at Pearson begin this month.

Porter Airlines touches down in Ottawa and Montreal with first Embraer E195-E2 flights connecting Toronto Pearson, February 1, 2023, www.flyporter.com

US/WORLD

U.S. Airlines' December 2022 Fuel Cost per Gallon Down 5.3% from November 2022; Aviation Fuel Consumption Down 5.2% from Pre-Pandemic December 2019



Source:BTS

The Department of Transportation's Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS) on February 1, 2023 released U.S. airlines' December 2022 fuel cost and consumption numbers indicating U.S. scheduled service airlines used 1.471 billion gallons of fuel, 5.3% more fuel than in November 2022 (1.398 billion gallons) and 5.2% less than in prepandemic December 2019. The cost per gallon of fuel in December 2022 (\$3.14) was down 18 cents (5.3%) from November 2022 (\$3.32) and up \$1.14 (57.0%) from December 2019. Total December 2022 fuel expenditure (\$4.63B) was down 0.3% from November 2022 (\$4.64B) and up 48.7% from pre-pandemic December 2019. Year-over-year increases in fuel consumption and cost for December 2022 include 3.0% in domestic fuel consumption, 51.4% in domestic fuel cost, and 47.0% in cost per gallon. Domestic fuel consumption increased 4.2% from November to December in 2022, while decreasing 5.0% from December 2019. Increased fuel consumption reflects an increase in airline passenger travel over the same period.

U.S. Airlines' December 2022 Fuel Cost per Gallon Down 5.3% from November 2022; Aviation Fuel Consumption Down 5.2% from Pre-Pandemic December 2019, February 1, 2023, www.bts.gov

New autonomous aircraft offers 181 kg payload



Source: Inside Logisitcs

Autonomous aircraft builder Pyka has unveiled what it calls the world's largest zero-emission cargo airplane and the first autonomous vehicle of its class. The Pelican Cargo has a range of up to 200 miles (322 km), a payload of up to 400 pounds (181 kg) in 66 cubic feet (1.9 cubic metres) of cargo volume and a nose-loading system with a sliding cargo tray. The company says the drone will help provide connectivity for remote rural communities, and ensure fast and reliable access to vital goods and supplies for areas in need.

New autonomous aircraft offers 181 kg payload, February 1, 2023, www.insidelogistics.ca



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Rail Transport Updates

CANADA

CP reports fourth-quarter results; ready to unite a continent in 2023



Source: Railway Age

Canadian Pacific Railway Limited (CP) on January 31, 2023 announced its fourth-quarter results, including revenues of \$2.46 billion, operating ratio ("OR") of 59.8 percent, adjusted OR1 of 59.1 percent, diluted earnings per share ("EPS") of \$1.36 and core adjusted diluted EPS1 of \$1.14. The highlights for the fourth quarter of 2022 were: 1.Revenues increased 21 percent to \$2.46 billion, from \$2.04 billion in Q4 2021; 2. Volumes, as measured in revenue ton-miles, increased 8 percent; 3. Reported OR increased by 60 basis points to 59.8 percent from 59.2 percent; 4. Adjusted OR, increased 160 basis points to 59.1 percent; 5. Reported diluted EPS increased to \$1.36. from \$0.74 in Q4 2021; and 6. Core adjusted diluted EPS increased to \$1.14, from \$0.96 in Q4 2021. "We finished the year with the people, capacity and resources in place to meet the needs of our customers today and are well-positioned to make history in 2023," said Keith Creel, CP President and CEO. "In a year of changing conditions and challenges, in order to support the broader economy and prepare for our proposed combination, we executed one of the largest hiring plans

and capital investment programs in our company's history." The highlights for the 2022 (entire year) were: 1. Federal Railroad Administration ("FRA")-reportable train accident frequency declined 15 percent to 0.93 from 1.10 in 2021; 2. Revenues increased 10 percent to \$8.81 billion from \$8.0 billion in 2021; 3. Free cash \$2.7 billion, an increase of 52 percent; 4. OR increased 230 basis points to 62.2 percent; 5. Adjusted OR increased 380 basis points to 61.4 percent; 6. Reported diluted EPS decreased to \$3.77 from \$4.18; and 7. Core adjusted diluted EPS was flat compared to 2021 at \$3.77. "We remain focused on our precision scheduled railroading model and fundamentals of efficiency and strong service to our customers as we await a decision by the U.S. Surface Transportation Board on our proposed combination with Kansas City Southern, which we anticipate occurring later this guarter." said Creel. "We finished the year with the people, capacity and resources in place to meet the needs of our customers today and are well-positioned to make history in 2023," Canadian Pacific (CP) President and CEO Keith Creel reported Jan. 31 during the railroad's quarterly earnings announcement.

CP reports fourth-quarter results; ready to unite a continent in 2023, January 31, 2023, <u>www.cpr.ca</u>; and CP 4Q22: 'Well Positioned to Execute a Historic Year' in 2023, January 31, 2023, <u>www.railwayage.com</u>

Canadian Pacific Railway Limited declares dividend

The Board of Directors of Canadian Pacific Railway Limited (CP) January 31, 2023 declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.19 per share on the outstanding Common Shares. The dividend is payable on April 24, 2023, to holders of record at the close of business on March 31, 2023, and is an "eligible" dividend for purposes of the Income Tax Act (Canada) and any similar provincial/territorial legislation.

Canadian Pacific Railway Limited declares dividend, January 31, 2023, www.cpr.ca

Freight Rail Services Price Index, January 2023



Source: Statistics Canada

The Freight Rail Services Price Index (2018=100) for January 2023 is 127.9 compared to 129.1 in December 2022. A year ago it was 113.6 in January 2022.

Freight Rail Services Price Index, January 2023, January 31, 2023, www.statcan.gc.ca

CP reports new record January for Canadian grain transport



Source: Railway Age

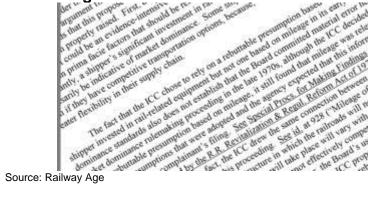
Canadian Pacific (CP) moved 2.29 million metric tonnes (MMT) of Canadian grain and grain products in January 2023, setting a new record for the month. CP has moved more than 15 MMT of Canadian grain and grain products thus far in the 2022-2023 crop year. exceeding the amount shipped by this time in the 2021-2022 crop year

by more than 45 percent. "CP's grain performance through January demonstrates the strength of our customers' supply chains, and the strong resiliency of our railway operations and effective winter planning, allowing CP to deliver for our customers," said Joan Hardy, CP Vice-President Sales and Marketing, Grain and Fertilizers. "CP, our customers and other supply chain participants were able to ship nearly double the volume of grain and grain products compared to January 2022, despite slowed grain vessel loading because of rain in Vancouver, holiday closures and periods of extreme winter operating conditions."

CP reports new record January for Canadian grain transport, January 2, 2023, www.cpr.ca: CP Delivers Grain-Haul Record. Community Support. February 2, 2023. www.railwayage.com

US/WORLD

STB Denies Shipper Petitions on Rate Reasonableness **Proceeding Rules**



The Surface Transportation Board on Jan. 24, 2023 ruled to deny two petitions seeking reconsideration of a decision adopting final rules that establish a streamlined approach for pleading market dominance in rate reasonableness proceedings. STB adopted the rules more than two years ago. On Aug. 3, 2020, the Board adopted a final rule "to establish a streamlined approach for pleading market dominance in rate reasonableness proceedings, Market Dominance Streamlined Approach, EP 756). The Board adopted several factors that it said, "if demonstrated by a complainant, would constitute a prima facie showing of market dominance." They are: 1. The movement has a revenue-to-variable cost (R/VC) ratio of 180% or greater. 2. The movement would exceed 500 highway miles between origin and destination. 3. There is no intramodal competition from other railroads.

- 4. There is no barge competition. 5. There is no pipeline competition.
- 6. The complainant has used truck for 10% or less of its volume (by

tonnage) subject to the rate at issue over a five-year period. 7. The complainant has no practical build-out alternative due to physical, regulatory, financial, or other issues (or combination of issues). "In particular, the new regulations allow complainants to demonstrate that prima facie factors for lack of intramodal competition, barge competition, pipeline competition, and practical build-out alternatives have been met by submitting a verified statement from an appropriate official," STB said in the ruling. "The new regulations also limit streamlined market dominance filings to 50 pages (including exhibits and verified statements) and allow complainants to request an evidentiary hearing conducted by an administrative law judge in lieu of a written rebuttal."

<u>STB Denies Shipper Petitions on Rate Reasonableness Proceeding Rules, January 27, 2023, www.railwayage.com</u>

AAR: 'The Worst January for Intermodal Since 2013'

"Rail traffic began 2023 much the same way we ended 2022 demonstrating reasons for both optimism and caution," said AAR Senior Vice President John T. Gray. "It was the worst January for intermodal since 2013 with major retailers cutting back on inventories and consumer spending—especially on goods—having contracted," Association of American Railroads (AAR) Senior Vice President John T. Gray reported on Feb. 1, 2023. For the first month of 2023, total U.S. rail traffic was down 3.2% compared with January 2022; carloads came in 2.2% higher while intermodal dipped 8.1%, according to a Feb. 1 AAR report. According to AAR, in January 2023, U.S. Class I railroads hauled 1,843,624 carloads and intermodal units. Twelve of the 20 carload commodity categories tracked by the AAR each month saw carload gains compared with January 2022. Canadian railroads reported 81,541 carloads for the week, up 9.7%, and 63,013 intermodal units, down 3.5% compared with the same week in 2022. For the first four weeks of 2023, Canadian railroads reported cumulative rail traffic volume of 557,879 carloads, containers and trailers, up 7.3%.

AAR: 'The Worst January for Intermodal Since 2013', February 1, 2023, www.railwayage.com



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Marine Transport Updates

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Great Lakes fleets thrown overboard by new global maritime emissions standards

Despite efforts to reduce their carbon emissions, Canada's lakers — the ships that carry cargo in the Great Lakes, St. Lawrence River and Arctic and East coasts — are finding themselves in an environmental and public relations quandary. That's because the International Maritime Organization has paid scant attention to the needs of inland and coastal shipping when it comes to new decarbonization rules, focusing instead on the global ocean trade. "The IMO is looking at the long-distance drivers, the people on the 401 (highway)," said Bruce Burrows, President and CEO of the Chamber of Marine Commerce, "We're the city drivers, as it were, who go from port to port to port with smaller ships that need to fit in locks and operate in different water conditions and temperatures. That's our reality and we shouldn't be penalized for that."

Financial Post, January 30, 2022, https://financialpost.com/transportation/great-lakes-fleets-thrown-overboard-new-global-maritime-emissions-standards

Port of Montreal: Accumulated container traffic 2003 Year to Date

The Port of Montreal released its container traffic (TEUs) for 2022 on January 30, 2023. Total traffic in terms of TEUs changed -0.31% i.e. to 1,722,704 from 1,728,114. Total import traffic for 2023 changed 1.62% i.e. to 850,969 from 837 407. Total export traffic for 2023 changed -2.13% i.e. to 871,735 from 890,706.

Port of Montreal: Accumulated container traffic 2003 Year to Date, January 30, 2023, www.portofmontreal.ca

US/WORLD

Port of Long Beach's Cordero emphasizes zero emissions



Source: AJOT

Mario Cordero, executive director of Port of Long Beach emphasized the Port's success in upgrading its terminals toward zero emissions: "Our terminals have accomplished so much and when it comes to our remarkable zero-emission demonstration projects ... since our determination in November 2017 to achieve zero emissions." Cordero was speaking at the 'State of the Port of Long Beach' on January 26th in which he said the Port was emphasizing environmental performance:" While other ports offer incentives for cargo, we offer incentives for environmental performance. Now I'm gonna say that again. While other ports offer incentives for cargo, we offer customers incentives for environmental performance." At the same time, he congratulated the Port of New York and New Jersev which moved ahead of the Port of Long Beach to become the second highest volume U.S. port in 2022: "Certainly, we had some strong container volumes last year ... and on this note, I will congratulate my good friend Beth Ann Rooney, executive director of the Port of New York and New Jersey, for her leadership in being the number two port in

container volume for 2022." The Port ended 2022 with 9,133,657 twenty-foot equivalent units moved, down 2.7% from 2021. Long Beach Harbor Commission President Sharon Weissman said in remarks delivered at the event. "Let's have the courage to pursue together a zero-emissions Port that provides the best goods movement and service in the world."

Port of Long Beach's Cordero emphasizes zero emissions, January 27, 2023, www.ajot.com

P Drewry World Container Index - 02 Feb

The composite index has decreased by 1% this week, and has dropped by 78% when compared with the same week last year. The latest Drewry World Container Index (WCI) composite index of \$2,034 per 40-foot container is now 80% below the peak of \$10,377 reached in September 2021. It is 24% lower than the 10-year average of \$2,693, indicating a return to more normal prices, but remains 43% higher than average 2019 (pre-pandemic) rates of \$1,420. The average composite index for the year-to-date is \$2,085 per 40ft container, which is \$608 lower than the 10-year average (\$2,693 mentioned above). The composite index remained decreased by 1% at \$2,033.70 per 40ft container, and is 78% lower than the same week in 2022. Freight rates on Shanghai - Genoa dropped 2% or \$51 to \$2,727 per feu. Spot rates on Shanghai – Los Angeles and Shanghai – Rotterdam slid 1% each to \$2,056 and \$1,732 per 40ft box, individually. Similarly, rates on New York - Rotterdam and Rotterdam - New York fell 1% each to \$1,197 and \$6,262 per 40ft container, respectively. However, rates on Los Angeles - Shanghai rose 1% to \$1,137 per 40ft box. Rates on Rotterdam - Shanghai gained 3% to \$786 per feu. Rates on Shanghai - New York hovered around the previous week's level. Drewry expects small week-on-week reductions in rates in the next few weeks.

Drewry World Container Index - 02 Feb, February 2, 2023, www.ajot.com



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Road Transport Updates

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Trucking Suppliers Eye North American Production Shift



Source: Ontruck

Truck component manufacturers are giving stronger consideration to sourcing production from North America, as international supply chains grapple with delays and disruption and shipping from China is getting more expensive and more difficult, according to executives speaking at a panel discussion at Heavy Duty Aftermarket Dialogue in Grapevine, Texas. "The business model of production moving to China to support the North American market has fundamentally changed," said Jeff Porter, president and CEO of Velvac. Velvac manufacturers mirror heads, air brake and valve components, vision systems and more for the commercial vehicle market. Over the last four or five years, Velvac has been aiming to move much of its supply back to North America, Porter said. Recent events and supply chain constraints have only supported that mission as the right move.

Trucking Suppliers Eye North American Production Shift, January 27, 2023, www.ontruck.ca

Couriers and Messengers Services Price Index,



Source: Statistics Canada

The Couriers and Messengers Services Price Index (2019=100) for December 2022 is 133.1. It has fallen from 134.7 in November 2022. A year ago it was 73.5 in December 2021.

Couriers and Messengers Services Price Index, December 2022, January 31, 2023, www.statcan.gc.ca

CTA, Teamsters Urge Labour Ministers to Protect Truck Drivers, Shut Down Driver Inc



Source: Ontruck

The Canadian Trucking Alliance (CTA) and Teamsters Canada recently wrote to the Forum of Labour Market Ministers, asking them to jointly develop a plan to crack down on the misclassification scheme know as Driver Inc. CTA and the Teamsters have been sounding the alarm for many years on chronic labour abuses and many other violations by Driver Inc. companies. Their latest effort is to urge each provincial minister of labour to follow in the steps of Federal Minister of Labour Seamus O'Regan in proclaiming opposition to Driver Inc. and announcing intentions to combat the scheme used by unscrupulous companies involved in the underground economy. CTA and the Teamsters have put together a national enforcement plan which involves both provincial and federal elements.

CTA, Teamsters Urge Labour Ministers to Protect Truck Drivers, Shut Down Driver Inc., February 1, 2023, www.ontruck.ca

Alchemist finds people-first approach the solution to high turnover



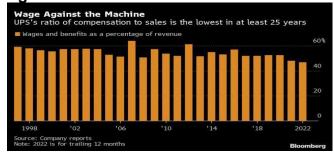
Source: Today's Trucking

Glen Parsons believes if you treat your people well, success in the trucking industry will follow. As co-owner of Coastal Pacific Xpress (CPX), a company in which he sold his share in 2008, Parsons and his partners shared generously the profits earned in good years. In 2005, it awarded more than \$400,000 in bonuses to employees after an especially successful year. Parsons told TruckNews.com at the time that he considered his employees the company's most important asset, with customers coming second, and profits a distant third. Now he's applying the same philosophy to another trucking company he owns, Alchemist Specialty Carriers in Langley, B.C.

Alchemist finds people-first approach the solution to high turnover, February 3, 2023, www.todaystrucking.com

US/WORLD

UPS faces rising labor costs, strike risk in upcoming union fight



Source: AJOT

United Parcel Service Inc. will pay more for labor after replacing a union contract that expires in July, 2023. The main question for Chief Executive Officer Carol Tomé is how much more — and if it's enough to avoid a strike that would throw package delivery into chaos. In what are likely to be the most contentious talks since UPS workers were on strike for 15 days in 1997, the Teamsters union, which represents 340,000 UPS employees, says it seeks to increase wages for part-time workers to more than \$20 an hour and eliminate a controversial twotiered wage system. On the table will also be demands for air conditioning in vehicles and for blocking inward-facing cameras. Teamsters President Sean O'Brien is promising a hard fight. He won election in late 2021 on a vow to get tougher with UPS and correct what he says was a flawed contract forced on workers in 2018. The union is also shortening the negotiation period with UPS. Talks on the nationwide contract will begin April 16, O'Brien said in an interview. The current contract ends on July 31. "We've got some great arguments on why these folks should be paid," O'Brien said. "We've got a great argument just on how much money the company's been making." The stakes are high for Tomé and the US. UPS delivers about 20 million packages a day in the US, making it the secondlargest ground courier behind the US Postal Service. If UPS workers were to walk out, it would likely be impossible for the postal service and rival FedEx Corp. to cover the volume from UPS's customers, which include Amazon.com Inc. A strike now in the era of e-commerce would have a much bigger impact than in 1997, when most packages were sent by businesses and parcel networks operated five days a week instead of non-stop. "It's pretty clear that it's going to be spicy," Ravi Shanker, a Morgan Stanley analyst with an underweight rating on the stock, said of the negotiations. He predicts UPS may increase compensation as much as 10% a year.

UPS faces rising labor costs, strike risk in upcoming union fight, January 30, 2023, www.ajot.com

FedEx to cut management jobs by more than 10%, CEO savs



Source: AJOT

FedEx Corp. is cutting global officer and director jobs by more than 10%, the courier's latest cost-saving measure as economic concerns and waning e-commerce weigh on demand for package delivery. The company plans to consolidate some teams and functions in addition to the headcount reduction, part of an effort to become a "more efficient, agile organization," Chief Executive Officer Raj Subramaniam said on February 1, 2023 in a memo to employees. The changes will align the size of the network with customer demand, he said. "This process is critical to ensure we remain competitive in a rapidly changing environment, and it requires some difficult decisions," Subramaniam said in the memo. The latest cuts bring FedEx's total employee reductions to 12,000 since June, a spokeswoman said.

FedEx to cut management jobs by more than 10%, CEO says, February 1, 2023, www.ajot.com



As Part of Major Push to Bring Down Traffic Deaths, USDOT Launches Roadway Safety Call to Action

U.S. Transportation Secretary Pete Buttiglieg launched on February 3, 2023 the Department's National Roadway Safety Strategy Call to Action campaign, asking stakeholders to commit to specific actions in 2023 to reduce serious injuries and deaths on our roadways, which have reached crisis levels. More than 40,000 people each year in America are killed in roadway accidents. The Department is also

pleased to share 49 voluntary commitments to action from early adopters, including health and safety advocates, the private sector, municipal and law enforcement organizations, and more. "Traffic crashes cost tens of thousands of American lives a year—a national crisis on our roadways—and everyone has an important role to play in addressing it," said U.S. Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg. "Today we are issuing a national call to action and asking all Americans—including private industry, non-profit and advocacy organizations, and every level of government—to join us in acting to save lives on our roadways."

As Part of Major Push to Bring Down Traffic Deaths, USDOT Launches Roadway Safety Call to Action, February 3, 2023, www.dot.gov



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Canadian imports tainted by child labour reach \$48 billion



Source: Inside Logistics

Canadian connections to child and forced labour continue to worsen, creating urgency for government action, according to a new report released this week by aid agency World Vision Canada. The Supply Chain Risk Report 2023 reveals that the value of Canadian imports of everyday products, like electronics and clothing, that are at risk of being produced by child or forced labour, has increased to \$48 billion as of 2021. The report shows a surge in imports of risky goods of over 50 percent in the last ten years, including a 71 percent increase in electronics to \$22.1 billion, a 67 percent increase in clothing to \$10.7 billion, and more than 869 percent increase in imports of protective rubber gloves to more than \$800 million in 2021. World Vision Canada warns the problem is worsening due to climate change, conflict, Covid-19 and rising costs, leading to conditions that mean the number of child labourers has increased for the first time in two decades. Now. 160 million boys and girls are trapped in child labour, including 79 million who work in jobs that are dirty, dangerous and degrading.

Canadian imports tainted by child labour reach \$48 billion, January 27, 2023, www.insidelogistics.ca

Canada's transportation supply chains are near breaking point



Source: Financial Post

A highway in B.C. is washed out by flooding. From the global pandemic to the wildfires and flooding in British Columbia, to physical disruptions due to blockades and strikes, Canada's transportation system has suffered severe disruptions. Just over a hundred days have now passed since the Supply Chain Task Force's independent report to the federal government indicated that "Canada's transportation supply chain is nearing its breaking point." And even though task forces are typically established to urgently address a problem in need of a solution, Canadian businesses are still waiting on concrete action to improve the transportation infrastructure and supply chains that serve as a cornerstone of our economy.

Canada's transportation supply chains are near breaking point, January 31, 2023, www.financialpost.ca

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US sets up dispute panel on Canadian dairy quotas under trade deal



Source: AJOT

The US set up a second dispute-settlement panel to resolve differences with Canada over its dairy quotas, saying Ottawa is still undermining access to its market under a trade deal between the nations. While Canada changed its quota allocations after a panel found in December 2021 that its measures were inconsistent with its obligations under the pact, its new policies "have not fixed the problem," US Trade Representative Katherine Tai said in a statement on January 31, 2023. The neighbors didn't resolve Washington's concerns about Ottawa's practices at a Jan. 17 meeting, the third round of consultations under the US-Mexico-Canada trade agreement. The USTR said the calculations based on market share prohibit eligible applicants — including retailers and food-service operators — from accessing allocations. Under the USMCA that took effect in July 2020, Canada conceded to granting more duty-free or lower tariff access across dairy products including milk, cream, cheese, yogurt and ice cream via a tariff-rate quota, or TRQ. But Canada was allocating the bulk of those imports to processors, limiting the ability of other groups like retailers to buy US product. Canada is disappointed with the US request for another panel, Trade Minister Mary Ng said.

US sets up dispute panel on Canadian dairy quotas under trade deal, January 31, 2023, www.ajot.com

US/WORLD



Borderlands: Port Laredo No. 1 for US-Mexico agricultural trade, report shows

The report indicates the following: 1. Port Laredo is the No. 1 for of entry for US-Mexico agricultural trade. The Laredo customs district

encompasses nine entry points across South Texas, including Del Rio, Eagle Pass, Laredo, Rio Grande City, Roma, Edinburg Airport, Progreso, Valley International Airport in Harlingen and Brownsville. The Laredo customs district handled 49% of U.S. agricultural exports to Mexico and 52% of imports from Mexico during the first 10 months of the year. 2. RJW Logistics is to open a shipping hub near Dallas; 3. Palos Garza Group recently began construction of a new 155,000-square-foot logistics facility in Nuevo Laredo, Mexico; and 4. Japanese air conditioning manufacturer, Daikin is investing \$300M in Mexico. Borderlands: Port Laredo No. 1 for US-Mexico agricultural trade, report shows, January 29, 2023, www.freightwaves.com

President Biden Announces First of its Kind Infrastructure Investment for Nine Nationally Significant Mega Projects

New Mega Grant program, created by the President's infrastructure law will bring massive economic benefits to communities across the nation. On January 31, 2023, President Biden and Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigleg announced that the Biden-Harris Administration has awarded nearly \$1.2 billion from the new National Infrastructure Project Assistance (Mega) discretionary grant program for nine projects across the country. These projects will create goodpaying jobs, grow the economy, strengthen supply chains, improve mobility for residents, and make our transportation systems safer for all users. "From the Hoover Dam to the Golden Gate Bridge, some infrastructure projects are so large and complex that they defy traditional funding systems—and so significant that they become iconic parts of the American landscape," said U.S. Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg. "After receiving over one hundred applications, we are proud to fund these nine infrastructure megaprojects across the country to create jobs, strengthen our supply chains, expand our economy, and renew America's built landscape."

President Biden Announces First of its Kind Infrastructure Investment for Nine Nationally Significant Mega Projects, January 31, 2023, www.dot.gov



Worst UK strikes for a decade shut schools, cripple rail network

Swathes of office staff will be forced to work from home February 1, 2023 as widespread industrial action closes schools and cripples Britain's rail network. As many as 475,000 union members are on strike, demanding pay rises that do more to combat the cost-of-living crisis. Many were given salary increases of less than 5% last year,

even as inflation climbed above 10%. Major train stations in London will be completely closed, including Victoria, Cannon Street, Marylebone and London Bridge, while more than a dozen key commuter rail lines said they won't be running any services. Some 85% of schools in England and Wales will be closed or partly shuttered, according to the National Education Union. The day of coordinated industrial action is expected to be Britain's most severe day of strikes for over a decade, piling pressure on Prime Minister Rishi Sunak's Conservative administration to resolve disputes with public sector workers by making more generous offers on pay. Train drivers, teachers, university staff and civil servants all plan to protest together. "We know there will be significant disruption given the scale of strike action," Sunak's spokesman, Max Blain, told reporters in London on January 31, 2023. "That will be very difficult for the public trying to go about their daily lives." More than half the public believe Sunak's government is doing a bad job of negotiating with unions to avoid public sector strikes, according to an Ipsos poll published on February 1, 2023. Just 17% think ministers are doing a good job, while nearly a third — 31% — said Keir Starmer's opposition Labour party would be handling the situation better if it was in power. The strike by teachers in particular is likely to be disruptive, because many parents will have to stay at home as a result. More than 100,000 teachers are expected to walk out of 23,000 schools in England and Wales.

Worst UK strikes for a decade shut schools, cripple rail network, January 31, 2023, www.ajot.com



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Join us on Wednesday February 15th, 2023 at 12:00 PM ET/ 11:00 AM CT / 9:00 AM PT/ 5:00 PM GMT for a CILTNA Webinar: "Intelligent Transportation Solutions to Retain and Increase Ridership – The TriMet approach".

Transit agencies across North America are facing headwinds to retain and expand their ridership. In the post pandemic world cities have experienced shifts in mobility patterns and needs. Transit needs to meet the mobility needs of communities and be a valuable service that is used out of choice rather than necessity.

Part of a two-part series, this first webinar will look at how TriMet, provider of the bus, light rail and commuter rail service in the Portland, Oregon region, is applying innovative techniques, technology and data driven solutions to meet this challenge. TriMet has long been a leader in innovation in transit, including developing the General Transit Feed Specification (GTFS) with Google which has become a transit industry standard for data sharing.

To register, please visit: https://ciltna.com/events/intelligent-transportation-solutions/



The Ottawa Chapter of CILTNA is pleased to invite you to a Luncheon Address:



Please join the Ottawa Chapter of CILTNA on Monday, February 27 from 12 PM ET to 1:30 PM ET for a Luncheon Event at 50 O'Connor Street, 6th Floor, Hunter Room, Ottawa with guest speaker Craig Hutton, Associate Assistant Deputy Minister – Policy, Transport Canada. Craig will be speaking on the theme "Developing a Roadmap for the Digitalization of Canada's Transportation Supply Chain".

Members are \$20.00 and Non-Members are \$30.00. Please register by February 21, 2023 at: https://ciltna.com/events/ottawa-chapter-luncheon-address/

Job Postings

* Director, Business Development – Ports, Canadian Pacific (Chicago, IL, Houston, TX or New Orleans, LA)

About the job

Position Type: Non-Union

Location: Chicago, IIL, Houston, TX or New Orleans, LA

Country: United States % of Travel: 80-90% # of Positions: 1

Job Available to: Internal & External

This position can be based in Chicago, IL, Houston, TX or New

Orleans, LA*

Canadian Pacific is a transcontinental railway in Canada and the United States with direct links to major ports on the west and east coasts. CP provides North American customers a competitive rail service with access to key markets in every corner of the globe. CP is growing with its customers, offering a suite of freight transportation services, logistics solutions and supply chain expertise. Visit cpr.ca to see the rail advantages of CP. For more on our purpose, culture, and strategy, visit www.cpr.ca/en/about-cp.

PURPOSE OF THE POSITION:

As the Director, Business Development you will direct and manage port-related Business Development activities within key focus areas for our business, identifying and creating capacity for growth and improving the Company's revenue streams. These objectives are achieved by initiating and managing major investment, network restructuring and development opportunities, and by providing input to corporate-wide strategic plans.

You will maintain regular liaison at the senior level with key transportation community stakeholders and chambers of commerce, protecting the Company's interests, influencing infrastructure and policy decisions, and enhancing the Company's competitive position.

POSITION ACCOUNTABILITIES:

Identify, qualify and close new business opportunities; Obtain, synthesize and concisely articulate key customer and market

intelligence;

Develop and execute account plans (targets, key contacts, call cycles); Be "present" in the marketplace with future customer base as well as chambers of commerce and trade associations:

Develop and execute sales representation strategies;

Utilize the Sales and communication tools available to ensure information sharing;

Act as the customer advocate within CP for all commercial issues; Challenge the product or pricing specifications as set forth by Marketing in the event that such product features/ pricing are uncompetitive;

Communicate terms of sales to responsible parties including Service Requirements to facilitate execution and measurement of product sold; Ability to deal with multiple stakeholders:

Ability to learn 'on the job' in a complex environment. Values contribution/skilled knowledge of own and cross-functional team members. Able to analyze and identify freight, logistics or solution opportunities within North America;

Communicate, context and carry CP's corporate strategy and key business messages to our customer base

POSITION REQUIREMENTS:

A university or college degree in a related discipline is required;

Must possess a minimum of 5 years of related experience;

Proven track record working to grow import and export business with North American Ports;

Experience with bulk and breakbulk port operations;

Strong overall rail knowledge/ CP strategy;

Superior Supply chain knowledge;

A keen understanding of regulatory affairs and risks;

Strategic approach to each potential customer given their market reach;

Strong negotiation skills and financial acumen;

Strong advocacy/ influence/ persuasion capabilities both within CP and with the customer;

Proven track record in new business development based on strong prospecting skills, and a pro-active sale approach;

Excellent organizational and time management skills;

Detail oriented and able to work under pressure while managing multiple tasks at once;

Experience sitting on councils, committees, and boards 80 – 90% travel.

To apply, go to:

https://www.linkedin.com/jobs/view/3436890574/?refld=7SWW7i7ZTp GRcUGZ82Za9w%3D%3D&trackingId=7SWW7i7ZTpGRcUGZ82Za9w %3D%3D

* Manager, Service Planning – Long Beach Transit (Long Beach, California)

The position of Service Planning Manager is responsible for managing the activities of the Service Planning Department and directly supervises the personnel within the Service Planning Department. The Service Planning Manager ensures that Long Beach Transit Fixed

Route services are designed to achieve customer satisfaction and to support overall community development and growth. The Service Planning Manager monitors the service performance, develops long and short-range transit plans and programs to optimize transit services and ensures that service is in compliance with local, state, and federal mandates.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES include the following:

- Manages and prioritizes service development staff activities to achieve company standards, and business plan objectives
- Oversees the development and production of schedules; ensures that run cutting, scheduling and the operator general bid process is efficient and productive
- Develops department budget including preparation of the annual capital budget
- Provides appropriate data for projecting annual service hours and miles for operating budget
- Actively participates in strategic business planning process
- Develops new and innovative service concepts that continuously improve the quality of Long Beach Transit services and the communities we serve
- Coordinates all service quality issues and works with other transit systems, developers, city/county agencies, and the community in the development of new transportation services
- Provides data to appropriate departments in the preparation of Short- and Long-Range funding marks for annual budget process
- Oversees the development of the Short-Range Transit Plan, National Transportation Data Base, State Transit Performance Measures, Title VI, and other statistical reporting and operational analyses
- Participates in the development of operational policies and procedures for company services.
- Communicates and implements safety rules, polices, and procedures in support of the agency's safety vision and goals; and maintains accountability for the safety performance of all subordinate employees

- Develops scopes of work for contracts, resolves legal, contractual, and technical issues
- Directs the technical monitoring, analysis, and evaluation of analytical, quantitative, and statistical methods and tools
- Represents LBT before various public, private, and government audiences

EDUCATION and/or EXPERIENCE:

A bachelor's degree in urban planning, transportation, public administration, or other transportation or management related field, and five (5) years of progressively responsible public transit experience that would demonstrate the requisite knowledge, skills, and abilities to manage a transportation service development department is required. Experience in service development, project management, and/or planning preferred.

Upon Request, a Driving Record printout is required with application (must be current within the 30 days of the printout).

Salary Range: \$101,241 - \$118,958 (Depending on Qualifications)

Application

Apply online at www.ridelbt.com/careers. Online applications must include past work history and be fully completed to be considered. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of a complete online application.

Candidate must be eligible to work in the United States. Long Beach Transit does not sponsor H-1B or other related work visas. COVID-19 Vaccine Required.

* Principal Planner: Freight Planning, North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority

Under the direction of the Director of Freight Planning, the Principal Planner: Freight Planning will be responsible for performing a full range of technical planning, research, analysis, written reports, and outreach activities in the specialized field of freight and goods movement planning. The job requires knowledge of goods movement, the application of tools of analysis, the ability to research freight and related topics and produce reports, as well as the ability of effectively engage and interact with stakeholders in the public and private sector. To apply, please click here:

https://njit.csod.com/ux/ats/careersite/1/home/requisition/4582?c=njit

* Postdoctoral Scholar in Sustainable Freight Transportation Technologies

The College of Engineering – Center for Environmental Research and Technology (CE-CERT) at the University of California, Riverside, is seeking a highly motivated postdoctoral scholar to join our Transportation Systems Research (TSR) group in conducting research related to sustainable freight transportation technologies. Candidates with knowledge and research experience in freight travel demand modeling, vehicle scheduling and routing, vehicle energy and emissions modeling, geospatial data analysis, advanced optimization, machine learning, and high-performance computing, are encouraged to apply.

The TSR group consists of a multidisciplinary team of more than 20 faculty members, graduate and undergraduate students, and staff engineers. We conduct research in the areas of advanced vehicles and intelligent transportation systems with a focus on developing and evaluating technologies that improve the travel and energy efficiencies as well as reduce the environmental impact of transportation activities. Several recent and current research projects involve the development

of novel sustainable freight transportation technologies, all the way from conceptualization to design, simulation, prototyping, and real-world demonstration.

Specific activities of the successful candidate may include:

- Develop new vehicle scheduling and routing techniques and evaluate their effectiveness
- Model energy, emissions, and air quality impacts of freight movement
- Conduct field testing of new vehicle scheduling and routing techniques
- Perform mining, analysis, visualization, and interpretation of vehicle activity big data
- Assist in producing high-quality publications, reports, and research proposals
- Support additional related research projects as needed

Please click here to view the view description and qualifications: https://www.cert.ucr.edu/sites/g/files/rcwecm1251/files/2021-10/2021_TSR%20postdoc%20position_2021.10.27.pdf

Those interested should send their curriculum vitae and a cover letter to certjobs@cert.ucr.edu with the subject "TSR Postdoc Position". In the cover letter, please provide a statement of research interests and experience.



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