



**The Chartered
Institute of Logistics
and Transport**

**North
America**

Transportation's Top Stories

Air Transport Updates

CANADA

✈ Porter Airlines turns 19



Source: Yahoo

Porter Airlines is marking its 19th birthday, celebrating nearly two decades of growth, innovation and its ongoing mission to elevate economy travel across North America. In the past 12 months, Porter has: 1. Grown to more than 4,300 team members, an increase of 400; 2. Expanded its fleet to include 48 Embraer E195-E2 jets, making Porter the world's largest operator of this aircraft type, with up to 100 jets on order; 3. Maintained a total fleet size of 77, including 29 De Havilland Dash 8-400 aircraft; 4. Added 20 new routes (current total 87) and seven new destinations (current total 45). For the first time, Porter is expanding its footprint beyond Canada and the U.S. in 2025. This winter season, Porter is launching flights to Mexico, the Caribbean and Central America, with 13 routes from four Canadian airports. The airline also introduced significant service from Hamilton International Airport in June 2025, becoming the only airline operating scheduled flights from all three major Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area airports: Toronto Pearson, Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport and Hamilton.

Porter Airlines turns 19, October 23, 2025, www.flyporter.com

✈ Air Canada to Launch U.S. Flights from Toronto Island in a Major Expansion at Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport

Air Canada on October 23, 2025 unveiled a major expansion at Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport with new transborder routes to four major U.S. cities and increased daily flights to Montréal and Ottawa. The new services, with frequencies favourable to business travel, further heighten the customer experience at Billy Bishop airport, including the introduction this month of fast, free onboard Wi-Fi, complimentary onboard premium snacks, beer and wine, and exclusive access to the [Aspire Air Canada Café](#) for eligible domestic customers. Beginning in Spring 2026, Air Canada will launch new, non-stop return service four-times-daily to New York's LaGuardia Airport, three-times-daily to Boston Logan International Airport, twice-daily to Chicago O'Hare International Airport, and daily to Washington Dulles International Airport.

Air Canada to Launch U.S. Flights from Toronto Island in a Major Expansion at Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport, October 23, 2025, www.aircanada.ca

US/WORLD

✈️ IATA Launches the Integrated Sustainability Program



Source: IATA

The International Air Transport Association (IATA) launched the Integrated Sustainability Program (ISP) at the IATA World Sustainability Symposium (WSS) in Hong Kong. ISP is a certification program offering airlines a comprehensive sustainability management and assessment framework. It is designed specifically for airlines and built upon the successful IATA Environmental Assessment (IEnvA). Along with certification, the program includes training, consulting, assessments, guidance, and tools in four critical modules: environmental management, sustainable procurement, social responsibility & sustainability performance.

IATA Launches the Integrated Sustainability Program, October 20, 2025, www.iata.org

✈️ Bridging the gap with LCAF



Source: Airlines IATA

Speaking at the World Sustainability Symposium, Abdullah Omair, Director Corporate Sustainability, Aramco gave an oil company's perspective on aviation's decarbonization. He advocated the role of low carbon aviation fuel (LCAF) as an interim solution until sustainable aviation fuels (SAF) are available at scale. Omair said the energy density of conventional jet fuel made it hard to replace and though SAF

can produce a lifecycle emissions reduction of up to 80%, as it stands it can only be used in a 50% blend at most and represents less than 1% of total fuel consumption. Although LCAF has a higher carbon intensity than SAF, it is a practical and scalable solution, which can also complement SAF uptake. Omair said LCAF can cut emissions 10% if the right crude is selected and the correct processes followed, including the use of renewable electricity and flare management—a method for burning waste gas. Achieving this 10% reduction would meet the criteria for the Carbon Offsetting Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSIA) and so is an eligible measure of emissions reduction. Importantly, LCAF's cost is comparable to conventional jet fuel and so is about a third of the cost of HEFA-based SAF on average.

Bridging the gap with LCAF, October 21, 2025, www.iata.org

✈️ IATA Statement on UK Government's Heathrow Expansion Announcement



Source: IATA

The International Air Transport Association (IATA) welcomes the UK Government's renewed commitment to unlocking economic growth, enhancing global connectivity, and supporting trade and tourism by expanding Heathrow Airport, the country's primary hub. "The government's long-term goal to stimulate the economy by expanding global connectivity with a Heathrow expansion is spot on. However, the political haste to move quickly to capture the economic benefit of construction will seriously handicap the UK in the long term if it fails to build something that is affordable. There is general agreement that the cost impact of Heathrow's current proposal, under the existing regulatory framework, will make the airport unaffordable in both the short and the long term. Heathrow's long addiction to gold-plated construction costs has already earned it the unenviable standing as one of the most expensive airports in the world, if not the most expensive. So, intense caution is warranted. The Civil Aviation Authority (CAA), as the economic regulator, has a serious task from

the government—to put in place regulatory and cost-control guard rails that will deliver an affordable airport for both passengers and airlines. That should start with a reassurance that there will be a transparent, competitive process to determine what is built and at what cost.

IATA Statement on UK Government's Heathrow Expansion Announcement, October 24, 2025, www.iata.org

Second Quarter 2025 Average Air Fare Decreases 3.8% from First Quarter 2025

U.S. Average Domestic Fares

From 1Q 2025: ▼ -3.8%

From 2Q 2024: ▼ -6.1%



Source: BTS

The average U.S. domestic air fare decreased in the second quarter of 2025 to \$386, down 3.8% from the first quarter 2025 inflation-adjusted fare of \$401.

Second Quarter 2025 Average Air Fare Decreases 3.8% from First Quarter 2025, October 21, 2025, www.bts.gov



**The Chartered
Institute of Logistics
and Transport**

**North
America**

Transportation's Top Stories

Rail Transport Updates

CANADA

CN and Congebec expand cold chain logistics across North America



Source: Yahoo

CN and Congebec announced that they are coming together to collaborate on a state-of-the-art cold storage facility at CN's Calgary Logistics Park in Alberta. Strategically located within CN's integrated logistics hub, the facility will be designed to be in better proximity, accelerating the conversion of temperature-sensitive goods between rail and warehouse. Customers will benefit from a more reliable, timely and efficient service to get their perishable cargo to domestic and international markets. Developed with CN's construction partner Matthews Tribal, the new Congebec facility will seamlessly integrate cold storage, cross-docking, transloading, and first- and last-mile services with CN's established refrigerated programs. The proximity to rail of this new facility will also help streamline transfers, reduce dwell times, and ensure temperature-sensitive goods move more efficiently.

This innovative solution addresses long-standing challenges in the cold supply chain by enabling faster container flows, flexible on-demand capacity, and more reliable delivery schedules. This initiative will connect producers, retailers and logistics providers in Alberta and across the cold chain, reinforcing Canada's food distribution network and global competitiveness. With this project, CN and Congebec are redefining cold chain logistics in Western Canada—giving customers greater speed, reliability, and confidence in moving their products across North America and into global markets.

CN and Congebec expand cold chain logistics across North America, October 20, 2025, www.ajot.com

CN Announces Executive Changes to COO and CCO Roles

CN announced on October 20, 2025 the appointments of Patrick Whitehead as Executive Vice-President and Chief Operating Officer as well as Janet Drysdale as Executive Vice-President and Chief Commercial Officer, effective immediately. Patrick's appointment follows the departure of Derek Taylor from the Company.

CN Announces Executive Changes to COO and CCO Roles, October 20, 2025, www.cn.ca

Ontario Completes Final Testing on Finch West LRT

The Ontario government has successfully completed Revenue Service Demonstration (RSD) for the Finch West Light Rail Transit (LRT), marking a significant milestone in the province's plan to bring 230,000 more people within walking distance of fast and reliable transit. With the final 30-day "dry run" complete, the Toronto Transit Commission

(TTC) will assume full operational control of the line no later than November 3, 2025, with an opening date to be determined by the TTC as it trains staff and prepares to launch the new light rail service for the public.

Ontario Completes Final Testing on Finch West LRT, October 23, 2025, www.mto.gov.on.ca

US/WORLD

The chemicals industry hates the UP – NS merger



Source: Freightwaves

The American chemicals industry, the third largest customer of the Class I railroads, has come out hard against the proposed merger between Union Pacific and Norfolk Southern. Chemicals industry lobbyists told FreightWaves in an interview that the burden of proof is on Union Pacific and Norfolk Southern to show how the merger would not only not degrade, but positively *enhance* competitiveness. Chemicals shippers are concerned that increases in transportation costs due to monopolistic consolidation in the railroad industry will harm their ability to compete in a global marketplace, potentially suppressing American chemicals exports. The industry, represented by leaders from the American Chemistry Council (ACC), has articulated their concerns in a direct appeal to the Trump Administration, emphasizing the detrimental impact such a merger would have on U.S. manufacturing competitiveness and the broader economy. The chemicals industry is already working on a set of demands that the merger must meet. One of them is an ambitious expansion of 'reciprocal switching'. Under current rules, if a shipper terminal is captive to a single railroad provider, but another railroad provider has road a short distance away, the shipper's only railroad provider is required to transfer the freight to the competing railroad shipper's network on request.

The chemicals industry hates the UP – NS merger, October 20, 2025, www.freightwaves.com



AAR: U.S. Rail Traffic Down for Week 42



Source: Railway Age

While U.S. rail traffic dipped 2.6% for the week ending Oct. 18, 2025, vs. the same week last year, it saw a modest gain through the first 42 weeks of 2025, the Association of American Railroads (AAR) reported Oct. 22. Five of the 10 carload commodity groups posted an increase compared with the same week in 2024. They included nonmetallic minerals, up 3,253 carloads, to 33,517; metallic ores and metals, up 1,461 carloads, to 20,355; and chemicals, up 970 carloads, to 32,046. Commodity groups that posted decreases compared with the same week in 2024 included grain, down 2,364 carloads, to 21,011; miscellaneous carloads, down 1,521 carloads, to 8,413; and coal, down 1,057 carloads, to 57,604. Canadian railroads reported 92,310 carloads for the week, down 2.9 percent, and 70,928 intermodal units, up 5.2 percent compared with the same week in 2024. For the first 42 weeks of 2025, Canadian railroads reported cumulative rail traffic volume of 6,802,397 carloads, containers, and trailers, up 1.9 percent.

AAR: U.S. Rail Traffic Down for Week 42, October 22, 2025, www.railwayage.com



First look: Norfolk Southern Q3 earnings

Norfolk Southern Corp. reported third quarter income of \$1.1 billion on revenue that was 2% higher at \$3.1 billion despite flat freight volumes. Diluted earnings per share was \$3.16, down from the prior year and short of Wall Street's forecast range of \$3.18 to \$3.22. Income from railway operations was lower than the previous year's figure of \$1.6 billion (that had included significant railway line sales benefits), and showed a meaningful adjusted increase when excluding merger-related expenses and other charges. On an adjusted basis, the income showed an uptick of \$21 million to \$1.1 billion, fueled primarily by incremental land sales amounting to \$65 million. The operating ratio, a critical measure of efficiency, was 64.6% and a significant increase from the 47.7% recorded in the third quarter of 2024. When adjusting for extraordinary items, the current operating ratio presented a slight improvement to 63.3%, comparing favorably to the adjusted 63.4% from the previous year. Excluding merger-related and other

extraordinary charges, diluted earnings per share slightly increased to \$3.30, up by 2% from the adjusted result for the third quarter of 2024.
First look: Norfolk Southern Q3 earnings, October 23, 2025, www.freightwaves.com

Union Pacific profits rise on operational efficiency, pricing gains



Source: Freightwaves

Union Pacific was firing on all cylinders during the 2025 third quarter, as pricing gains, record workforce productivity and fuel consumption led to higher profits despite flat volume. Operating income at Omaha-based UP increased 6%, to \$2.5 billion, as revenue grew 3%, to \$6.2 billion. Earnings per share increased 9%, to \$3.01. The quarterly operating ratio improved 1.1 points to 59.2% as expenses increased 1%. Adjusted for costs related to the proposed acquisition of Norfolk Southern, the operating ratio was 58.5%.

Union Pacific profits rise on operational efficiency, pricing gains, October 23, 2025, www.freightwaves.com



The Chartered
Institute of Logistics
and Transport

North
America

Transportation's Top Stories

Marine Transport Updates

CANADA

Port of Metro Vancouver – Container Traffic for September 2025, Year-to-Date and third quarter of 2025



Source: Yahoo

For the Port of Metro Vancouver for September 2025, total traffic in terms of TEUs changed 7.49% i.e. to 326,332 from 303,589 for the same period in 2024. Total import traffic for September 2025 changed 13.70% i.e. to 174,248 from 153,249 for the same period in 2024. Total export traffic for September 2025 changed 1.16% i.e. to 152,084 from 150,340 for the same period in 2024. For the first nine months of 2025 (year to date), changed 7% i.e. to 2,870,730 TEUs from 2,683,017 TEUs for the same period in 2024. Total import traffic for the first nine months of 2025 changed 3.9% i.e. to 1,465,212 from 1,410,146 for the same period in 2024. Total export traffic for the first nine months of 2025 changed 10.42% i.e. to 1,405,519 from 1,272,871 for the same period in 2024. For the 2025 third quarter, total traffic in terms of TEUs changed 8.6% i.e. to 992,961 from 914,702 for the same period in 2024. Total import traffic for the third quarter of 2025 changed 4.79% i.e. to 501,138 from 478,222 for the same period in

2024. Total export traffic for the third quarter of 2025 changed 12.68% i.e. to 491,825 from 436,480 for the same period in 2024.

Port of Metro Vancouver – Traffic for September 2025, Year-to-Date and third quarter of 2025, October 19, 2025, www.portofmetrovancover.com

GCT Global Container Terminals continues to celebrate 50 years of GCT Vanterm



Source: AJOT

In an ongoing recognition of the 50th anniversary of GCT Vanterm operations, Global Container Terminals (GCT) is proud to announce a new three-year community partnership with Mission Possible, a local non-profit organization transforming lives in Vancouver's Downtown Eastside through employment training, transitional jobs, and wraparound support. This commitment marks another positive step in the long-standing relationship between GCT and Mission Possible, building on previous support for the Gala, programming, and employment opportunities, both through GCT and within the broader Port Community. This partnership reflects the values at the heart of GCT's Global Commitment program, which supports local

organizations creating lasting impact in the communities where GCT operates. Through this multi-year collaboration, GCT will provide ongoing support for Mission Possible's programs that help individuals overcome barriers to employment and rebuild their confidence, skills, and sense of purpose.

GCT Global Container Terminals continues to celebrate 50 years of GCT Vanterm, October 21, 2025, www.ajot.com

US/WORLD

SC Ports records strong intermodal and automotive growth, as state attracts new investments



Source: AJOT

SC Ports ended the first 2quarter of fiscal year 2026 with steady container volumes and strong year-over-year growth for both inland ports and vehicle volumes. The Port of Charleston handled 212,363 TEUs in September 2025, a slight dip below planned volumes as broader trade constrictions are being felt across the industry. Recently expanded Inland Port Greer recorded 17,818 rail moves, an 18% year-over-year increase, marking the highest September on record for the Upstate intermodal facility. The inland port's continued growth comes as Isuzu broke ground on its new production base in nearby Greenville County. Inland Port Dillon broke another all-time monthly record with 4,888 rail moves, a 275% increase over last September.

SC Ports records strong intermodal and automotive growth, as state attracts new investments, October 17, 2025, www.ajot.com

UN postpones decision on shipping carbon tax



Source: Freightwaves

The International Maritime Organization on October 17, 2025 said it would delay a decision on a global shipping carbon tax for one year. The vote to delay the Net-Zero Framework by delegates meeting in London comes after President Donald Trump said the United States would not abide by any international agreement to limit greenhouse gas emissions from ocean-going vessels. A source close to the Trump administration told FreightWaves that U.S. opposition to the plan had attracted support from members with significant stakes in shipping including Portugal, Greece, Cyprus, Liberia, the Bahamas and others. *UN postpones decision on shipping carbon tax, October 17, 2025, www.freightwaves.com*

Singapore's September exports rise 6.9% y/y, much stronger than forecast

Singapore's non-oil domestic exports rose 6.9% in September 2025 from the same month a year earlier, government data showed on October 17, 2025, led by a sharp rise in electronics shipments. Last month's export growth compared with a Reuters poll forecast of a 2.1% contraction, and followed a revised fall of 11.5% in August. Among key markets, major contributors to the export growth were Hong Kong, Taiwan and China, while shipments to the European Union, the U.S. and Indonesia declined, Enterprise Singapore said. Singapore has been hit with a 10% tariff rate by Washington. Singapore's exports to the United States dropped by an annual 9.9% in September 2025 after a 29.1% fall in August 2025. While the city-state's economy performed better than expected in the first half of the year due to the front-loading of exports and production to evade U.S. tariffs, authorities have warned that growth is likely to slow in the second half. Enterprise Singapore has forecast non-oil exports growth of 1% to 3% for the whole of this year, saying in August 2025 that it expected some weakness in the second half of 2025.

Singapore's September exports rise 6.9% y/y, much stronger than forecast, October 17, 2025, www.iata.org

Maersk considering investment in Panama's new terminals



Source: JOC

Maersk signaled its interest in helping develop the Panama Canal's yet-to-be-built container terminals, as the carrier faces the prospect of its former alliance partner Mediterranean Shipping Co. (MSC) taking control of Panama's current terminal assets. MSC and Maersk are two of the most frequent callers to Panama's container terminals. Speaking at an event Oct. 9, 2025 sponsored by Denmark's embassy in Colombia, Maersk Chief Executive Vincent Clerc said his company may invest in the new terminals the Panama Canal Authority (ACP) hopes to build on both sides of the canal.

Maersk considering investment in Panama's new terminals, October 20, 2025, www.joc.com

Shipping industry banks on technical solutions for climate transition

The maritime sector remains committed to sustainability despite continued scepticism regarding the global climate goals, the latest SMM Maritime Industry Report (MIR) reveals. At SMM 2026, the global maritime flagship fair taking place next September, companies will showcase technologies driving the energy transformation of the global shipping sector. It came as a blow: The member states of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) failed to achieve consensus on a global climate protection policy last week. The decision was postponed to next year. In an extraordinary session, the IMO's Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC) discussed effective measures to implement the IMO climate goals, such as a global alternative fuel standard and an emission penalty for ships exceeding

set limits. But those dealing with the practical implications of these plans remain sceptical about the IMO's climate ambition. This is one of the conclusions drawn by the SMM Maritime Industry Report 2025 (MIR) which summarises the responses of roughly 1,500 industry leaders surveyed by Hamburg Messe und Congress (HMC). Roughly half of shipowners and suppliers (51 per cent) doubt that the net-zero goal can be achieved by 2050. 46 per cent of shipyards share this assessment. Just barely one third of respondents (29 per cent of shipowners, and 26 per cent of yards) are more optimistic. Market insiders such as yard manager and Chairman of the SMM Advisory Committee Dr. Klaus Borgschulte are not surprised: "After all we are talking about roughly 90,000 ships world-wide – a gigantic undertaking that can hardly be accomplished within the given time frame."

Shipping industry banks on technical solutions for climate transition, October 21, 2025, www.ajot.com

America First requires the Jones Act



Source: AJOT

It comes as no surprise that President Donald Trump is building a legacy as a consequential maritime president. After all, there are few areas of our economy that are more America First than the U.S. maritime industry. We have been a maritime nation since our founding, and the Merchant Marine Act of 1920, commonly known as the Jones Act, ensures that vessels moving cargo on our waterways are American-made, American-crewed, and sail under the American flag. It is a law critical to this industry and to the president's agenda. On April 9, the president issued an executive order to create a national strategy for America's shipbuilding and maritime industries. The order authorizes the use of the Defense Production Act—best known for its role in keeping the economy moving during the pandemic—to invest in shipbuilding, ship repair, and port infrastructure, and goes on to call for better training for mariners and for expanding the American fleet. At the same time, President Trump has also imposed aggressive tariffs on equipment made by the People's Republic of China, our chief maritime competitor. Moves like these have already put President

Trump in the running to be the most pro-U.S. maritime president since President Franklin D. Roosevelt, a former Assistant Secretary of the Navy, sat in the Oval Office. President Trump should therefore continue to push back against the arguments of foreign countries and global corporate interests determined to stymie the “America First” agenda—and that means he should beware of the strange-bedfellow coalition of libertarian dogmatists, special interests, and even foreign nations that want to weaken or even get rid of the Jones Act. As he continues to rebuild our industrial base, the president should remember that there is nothing more America First than the Jones Act. *America First requires the Jones Act, October 22, 2025, www.ajot.com*

US tariffs dent China import volumes, but not global container growth



Source: JOC

President Donald Trump's tariff onslaught has, arguably, forever shifted US import flows away from China after a six-month rollercoaster of ever-changing amounts and deadlines. But US tariffs — while denting shipments from China — aren't yet showing signs of hurting overall global container volumes. “The rest of the world trucks along just nicely,” said Lars Jensen, a maritime analyst and *Journal of Commerce* contributor. “It's a little bit volatile. It's a bit up and down, but basically throughout the year, you've seen global growth in container volumes around 6%, which is twice what you expect given global development.

US tariffs dent China import volumes, but not global container growth, October 12, 2025, www.joc.com

FMC nominees pledge level playing field for US shippers



Source: JOC

President Donald Trump's two nominees to the Federal Maritime Commission (FMC) said on October 22, 2025 that a competitive, open market should attract more investment to the sector and enhance its efficiency. That came as Trump's pick to head up the US Maritime Administration (Marad) said the federal government needs to put more of its weight behind the industry if the US hopes to dent China's shipping dominance. During confirmation hearings, Robert Harvey, one of Trump's two nominees to the FMC, told the Senate's Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee he wants the agency to continue ensuring fair treatment of US shippers.

FMC nominees pledge level playing field for US shippers, October 22, 2025, www.joc.com



The Chartered
Institute of Logistics
and Transport

North
America

Transportation's Top Stories

Road Transport Updates

CANADA

OTA Presents Plan to Ministers of Labour and Transportation to Bring Law & Order Back to Trucking Industry



Source: Ontruck

At the start of October 2025, the federal government began hearings on the state of the trucking industry and the role that Driver Inc. is playing in the deterioration of worker rights, tax evasion and highway safety. While the Ontario Trucking Association (OTA) believes the federal government plays a large role in addressing matters related to tax evasion and labour rights, Ontario also needs to accelerate its enforcement actions to overcome the safety and compliance crisis throughout the Ontario trucking industry. The OTA has proposed the following: 1. The OINP program (Ontario Immigrant Nominee Program) for trucking be suspended for 12-18 months until suitable controls (Known Employer Program) are put in place. 2. The satisfactory-unaudited category be eliminated, and that both new and existing companies must go through an audit review on a regular basis, the timeline of which will be determined through industry-government consultation. 3. All truck inspections stations are open 24/7 with regular staffing of the relevant federal departments and provincial ministries and law enforcement officials that have

touchpoints with the trucking industry. 4. The revamping of the current commercial licensing system to a vocational standard/endorsement system based on configuration types.

OTA Presents Plan to Ministers of Labour and Transportation to Bring Law & Order Back to Trucking Industry, October 17, 2025, www.ontruck.ca

Urban public transit, August 2025



Source: Statcan

In August 2025, the number of urban transit passenger trips in Canada totalled 123.4 million, down slightly (-0.8%) from the same month in 2024. This was the fourth consecutive month of modest year-over-year decreases in ridership. In the two years prior to the COVID-19 pandemic (2018 and 2019), ridership dipped by 0.8% from July to August. In 2025, a similar decline (-0.9%) was observed from July to August. In August, transit agency operating revenue (excluding subsidies) increased 2.7% compared with the same month in 2024, reaching \$331.4 million.

Electric truck maker Harbinger enters Canadian market



Source: Today's Trucking

Electric medium-duty truck maker Harbinger is entering the Canadian market. Its trucks are available to order across all Canadian provinces and territories, with dealer Safetek Specialty Vehicles representing the brand. Harbinger's platform supports walk-in van, box truck, delivery van and disaster response applications, among others. Canadian availability will begin with electric step vans with more variants to follow, the company said in a news release. "The industry reception to Harbinger vehicles to date demonstrates a strong appetite for durable, affordable and environmentally friendly alternatives to supplement gas and diesel fleets," said John Harris, CEO, Harbinger. "The need for EV options is amplified in Canada, where federal EV mandates are more aggressive. Our vehicles not only help Canadian companies meet these mandates, but they are also best-in-class medium-duty vehicles." Harris told trucknews.com Harbinger's trucks are already priced competitively with diesels, even before any incentives are tapped into. Being at cost-parity with diesel is possible through its vertical integration, Harris explained.

Electric truck maker Harbinger enters Canadian market, October 21, 2025, www.todaystrucking.com

GM to end production of BrightDrop electric cargo van



Source: Today's Trucking

General Motors announced on October 22, 2025 that it will end production of the BrightDrop electric delivery van built at its CAMI plant in Ingersoll, Ont. The company blamed weak demand for electric commercial delivery vans and said the plant was operating below capacity. "The decision to end production of the BrightDrop electric delivery van is driven by market demand and in no way reflects the commitment and skill of our workforce at CAMI," said Kristian Aquilina, president and managing director of GM Canada. "This continues to be an uncertain time for our workforce at CAMI, and we are committed to working closely with our employees, Unifor and the Canadian and Ontario governments as we evaluate next steps for the future of CAMI." GM received more than \$500 million in federal and provincial funding to produce the electric van in Ingersoll.

GM to end production of BrightDrop electric cargo van, October 22, 2025, www.todaystrucking.ca

Mullen Group Ltd. acquisitions continue to drive growth in the third quarter of 2025

Mullen Group Ltd. reported its financial and operating results for the period ended September 30, 2025, with comparisons to the same period last year. In the third quarter of 2025 generated consolidated revenue of \$561.8 million, operating income (OIBDA) of \$97.6 million and net cash from operation of \$102.7 million, a change of 5.6%, 2.4% and 55.1% (compared to the same quarter in 2024). It declared cash dividends \$0.21 a increase of 5% from the same quarter in 2024.

Mullen Group Ltd. acquisitions continue to drive growth in the third quarter of 2025, October 22, 2025, www.ajot.com

Knight-Swift merges LTL divisions with AAA Cooper Transportation

Knight-Swift announced it will merge its LTL Midwest Motor Express and DHE Transportation with its AAA Cooper Transportation brand. "This change requires no action on your part and does not affect existing pricing, data exchanges, SCAC code, or your current points of contact within sales, administration, or operations," AAA Cooper president and CEO Charlie Prickett wrote in a letter to customers, also shared on social media. "Thank you for your trust and support over the past three years of remarkable change and growth at AAA Cooper Transportation. Sustained by your confidence, we have successfully integrated two regional brands, expanded into over 50 new markets, and established around 40,000 new line-haul lanes across our network," the letter said. The subsidiaries have already been integrated into AAA Cooper's financial systems.

Knight-Swift merges LTL divisions with AAA Cooper Transportation, October 22, 2025, www.todaystrucking.ca

US/WORLD

Industry group calls for tougher licensing, better training amid trucker crackdown



Source: JOC

A crackdown on unqualified and illegal truck drivers in the US is already said to be tightening capacity in certain markets, but some want the crackdown to go further. The Owner-Operator Independent Driver's Association (OOIDA) is urging the House of Representatives and Senate to write new truck driver licensing rules into law. OOIDA is also calling for enhanced new driver training and more stringent audits of new carriers. The group also opposes efforts to lower the legal age required to drive a commercial truck in interstate commerce from 21 to 18.

Industry group calls for tougher licensing, better training amid trucker crackdown, October 21, 2025, www.joc.com

U.S. truck maker Paccar lays off 300 workers in Quebec ahead of tariffs



Source: Today's Trucking

American truck maker Paccar Inc. has laid off 300 more factory workers in Quebec ahead of a 25% import tariff to be imposed by the U.S. next month. The factory in Sainte-Thérèse, a Montreal suburb, manufactures Kenworth and Peterbilt trucks and relies heavily on revenue from the United States. Unifor Quebec director Daniel Cloutier calls the cuts "a wake-up call" as the plant risks losing buyers south of the border due to the hefty levies on commercial trucks, set to take effect Nov. 1. "If the Sainte-Thérèse plant loses its sales in the United States, we must do everything in our power to replenish its order book with customers here," he said in a statement. Quebec Economy Minister Christine Fréchette said Paccar executives told her of their hope to develop products for the Canadian market.

U.S. truck maker Paccar lays off 300 workers in Quebec ahead of tariffs, October 23, 2025, www.todaystrucking.com



**The Chartered
Institute of Logistics
and Transport**

**North
America**

Transportation's Top Stories

Other Transport Updates

CANADA



Travel between Canada and other countries, August 2025



Source: Statcan

In August, the number of Canadian-resident return trips from the United States was down 29.7% year over year, while the number of trips to Canada by US residents decreased 1.4%. This marked the third time since June 2006 (excluding August and September 2021, during the COVID-19 pandemic) when more US residents made trips to Canada than Canadian residents travelled to the United States. Meanwhile, in August 2025, the number of trips to Canada by overseas residents was up 9.2% from August 2024, and the number of Canadian-resident return trips from overseas increased 8.6%. On a seasonally adjusted monthly basis, the number of Canadian-resident return trips from abroad was up slightly by 0.1% in August 2025. US-resident arrivals edged down 0.3%, while overseas-resident arrivals increased 0.5%.

Travel between Canada and other countries, August 2025, October 22, 2025, www.statcan.gc.ca



Canada will not allow unfair US access to markets if trade talks fail, says Carney



Source: AJOT

Canada will not allow unfair U.S. access to its markets if talks on various trade deals with Washington ultimately fail, Prime Minister Mark Carney told reporters on October 23, 2025. President Donald Trump imposed tariffs on Canadian steel, aluminum and autos earlier this year, prompting Ottawa to respond in kind. The two sides have been in talks for weeks on a potential deal for the steel and aluminum sectors. Next year, the United States, Canada and Mexico are also due to review their 2020 continental free trade agreement. "If we ultimately don't make progress in these various sectors, we're going to do what's necessary to protect our workers," Carney told reporters, referring to both the potential U.S. side deals and also the review of the free trade pact. "If it's the case that the Americans have access to our markets in a way that's inappropriate given the level of access we have to their markets, we will change the terms. But that's not the case right now," he said, but did not give details. Carney on Tuesday expressed caution after a newspaper reported he might soon sign a deal on steel and aluminum with the U.S., saying "I wouldn't overplay it."

Canada will not allow unfair US access to markets if trade talks fail, says Carney, October 23, 2025, www.ajot.com

US/WORLD

Trump's Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy Creates First-Of-Its-Kind Council to Make Beautiful Structures that Move You



Source: BTS

U.S. Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy on October 23, 2025 announced the creation of a first-of-its-kind Beautifying Transportation Infrastructure Council (BTIC). The Council will advise the Secretary on policy and design opportunities to build beautiful structures and restore the beauty of key transportation infrastructure, including highways, bridges, and transit hubs. Ensuring safety and efficiency remain the top priority. The Department of Transportation encourages nominations of the nation's brightest architects, landscape designers, urban planners, artists, transportation engineers, and historic preservation advocates for membership to BTIC.

Trump's Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy Creates First-Of-Its-Kind Council to Make Beautiful Structures that Move You, October 23, 2025, www.dot.gov



**The Chartered
Institute of Logistics
and Transport**

**North
America**

EVENTS



On October 23-24, the Commonwealth Center for Advanced Logistics Systems (CCALS), Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport - North America (CILTNA) and Old Dominion University hosted the Next Gen Smart Logistics Conference on how emerging technologies, artificial intelligence, and data-driven decision-making systems are transforming the way we keep supply chains smart, efficient, and resilient.

A big thank-you to the Commonwealth Center for Advanced Logistics Systems (CCALS) and Old Dominion University for partnering with CILTNA to make this event such a success.

Transportation's Top Stories Other CILT News

**CILTNA 2025 FALL OUTLOOK CONFERENCE
& ANNUAL DINNER**

**"In Search of Advantage During Volatile Times:
Leveraging Opportunities in Logistics and
Transportation"**

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2025
LUNCHEON & WORKSHOP - 11:30 ET
CILTNA AGM - 17:00 ET
RECEPTION - 17:45 ET
ANNUAL DINNER - 18:45 ET

**RIDEAU CLUB – 15th Floor, 99 BANK
ST. OTTAWA, ON**

CN CPKC KPMG

REGISTER NOW for the CILTNA 2025 Fall Outlook Conference & Annual Dinner: **"In Search of Advantage During Volatile Times: Leveraging Opportunities in Logistics and Transportation"** on Thursday, November 6, 2025 at the Rideau Club, 15th Floor, 99 Bank Street, Ottawa, ON.

View the agenda [HERE](#).

Thank you to our sponsors:





For more details and to register, please visit:
<https://ciltna.com/events/2025-fall-outlook-conference-and-annual-dinner/>

We hope to see you all there!



The 2025 Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport – North America (CILTNA) will be held on 06 November 2025 commencing at 5:00 PM ET at the Rideau Club, 99 Bank Street, Ottawa, ON.

Please also find the AGM Notice of Meeting, Agenda, Information Circular, Form of Proxy, and 2024 Minutes. Please review them carefully by clicking here: [AGM Package and Proxy Form](#).

Action Required

To register to attend the 2025 Fall Outlook Conference and/or Annual Dinner please use the following link <https://ciltna.com/events/2025-fall-outlook-conference-and-annual-dinner/>. If you only wish to attend the AGM, registration will be done onsite at the meeting.

The Board strongly encourages all Members to vote by returning the completed form of proxy. Please print the proxy form [HERE](#) and return it to CILTNA administration at: admin@ciltna.com no later than 24 hrs. prior to the event.

This is your chance to have your voice heard!



BCAC Silver Wings Industry and Scholarship Awards Celebration 2025

At the annual Silver Wings Industry and Scholarship Awards Celebration on November 14th, 2025, the BCAC recognizes aviation and aerospace industry colleagues for specific achievements. As well,

they disburse almost \$200,000.00 through our Aviation and Aerospace Scholarship Awards Program to hard-working students enrolled in aviation and/or aerospace programs in British Columbia. They invite you to join them at this annual Celebration at the Vancouver Convention Centre West for an evening of fine food, live entertainment, an online auction, a 50/50 Draw, a vibrant awards ceremony and unparalleled networking opportunities.

When: November 14, 2025 at 5:45 PM PT

Where: Vancouver Convention Centre- West 3rd Floor, 1055 Canada Place, Downtown Vancouver

For more information and to register, please visit:
<https://bcaviationcouncil.silkstart.com/events/silver-wings-industry-and-scholarship-awards-celebration-2025>



CILT International are pleased to announce the launch of the CILT International Global Rail Group (GRG) at the 2025 CILT International Convention in Colombo.

The GRG is a new professional practice network connecting rail experts worldwide, spanning high-speed rail, light rail, metro and urban systems, regional and intercity rail, and rail freight.

Founded and led by Andrew Young FCILT (Chair) and Darren King FCILT (Vice Chair), the Group will provide a platform for sharing knowledge, developing thought leadership and advancing sustainable, efficient rail systems across the globe.

Find out more and apply to join here <https://ow.ly/pR9I50WXvIY>

Job Postings

* Logistics Manager, Alstom, Toronto, ON, Canada

The Logistics Manager will be responsible for the development and implementation of the Project's logistics strategy. The ideal candidate will have the following:

- Able to demonstrate significant expertise in site logistics, traffic management, site coordination, material and equipment delivery, and other applicable technical fields.
- Demonstrated experience in managing teams to deliver integrated logistics solutions on complex projects and programs.
- Strong technical capability in all project phases, including design, planning, construction, operations, and maintenance preferably large program/projects.
- Demonstrable experience in managing senior stakeholder relationships and providing strategic level reporting to enable effective decision making.
- Excellent stakeholder engagement and communication skills including the ability to facilitate meeting / workshops with large groups of stakeholders.
- Drive and optimise all logistics operations to support all installation activities.
- Experience with Third-Party Logistics (3PL) subcontractors and contracts.
- Experience with international logistics including supply chain, freight, customs, duties, import and export.
- Provide strong leadership to the logistics team.
- Responsible for the budgets based on schedule and project needs for all program logistics

Mandatory:

- A recognised university degree;
- 7-10 years experience in a logistics-related leadership role;
- Minimum 5 years of professional experience in large railway projects or equivalent infrastructure programs;
- A working understanding of the requirements from the Ontario Health and Safety Act;
- Proven track record of managing logistics programs including warehousing, logistics management, and transportation management;
- Fluent in English;
- Knowledge of the typical logistics, supply chain and warehousing processes supporting major projects.

Competencies and Skills:

- Relevant industry software to support logistics, supply chain and administrative duties.
- Ability to make critical decisions based on evidence
- Exceptional communication and collaboration skills

To apply, please visit: <https://www.linkedin.com/jobs/view/4263508642>

*** Supply Chain Specialist, Bombardier, Dorval, QC, Canada**

Why join us?

At Bombardier, we design, build and maintain the world's peak-performing aircraft for the world's most discerning people and businesses, governments and militaries. We have been successful in setting the highest standards by putting our people at the heart of it all, and defining excellence, together.

Working at Bombardier means operating at the highest level. Every day, you are part of a team that delivers superior experiences and products, pushing the boundaries of what's possible in our industry and beyond. By prioritizing employee growth and development, we empower everyone to reach their full potential on their own terms, because the best work happens when you are free to be yourself and share your unique expertise.

What are your contributions to the team?

- Develop new sources of supply and establish strategic alliances.
- Develop negotiation business strategies.
- Lead and participate in the development of the commodity by managing projects that would include the preparation of business cases.
- Lead, develop and execute the commodity strategy and provide to senior management project and negotiation statuses.
- Identify, analyze and realize cost reduction opportunities
- Create and maintain formal networks internally and externally.
- Act as single interface with suppliers of new business.
- Support Sites and/or Business Units with appropriate sourcing strategies.
- Coordinate and lead negotiations of any claims with suppliers in support of business unit production issues.
- Support Business Units in the application of contractual remedies against material breaches.
- Lead contract negotiations with suppliers.
- Ensure contracts are maintained in accordance to our business requirements
- Coordinate the Procurement Agents activities in relation to the balanced scorecard objectives, the master plans and the detailed plans.
- Support Procurement Agents in their contracts negotiations, the commercial agreements and product changes negotiations, as well as the contracts amendments;
- Participate in the governance of cost reduction initiatives and ensure projects come to fruition.
- Actively participate in supplier program reviews led by the business units.
- Develop and coach team members on procurement initiatives and processes.
- Support commodity manager in the performance development plan process.

How to thrive in this role?

- You have a bachelor's degree in business administration or equivalent.
- You have seven (7) to ten (10) years of relevant experience.

- You have experience in the aerospace industry and/or manufacturing environment and/or program management, in a commercial role, an asset.
- You have excellent negotiation skills and experience in project management.
- You are detail oriented, focused and committed to meeting deadlines.
- You are a strong team player, recognized for your leadership and innovation, and ability to mobilize a team.
- Have a high proficiency and are good communicator in French and English (written and spoken)
- You have strong capabilities in operations and financial management.
- You are comfortable with complex technical topics, and have knowledge of legal terminology or interpretation of contracts.
- You are familiar with Just-In-Time purchasing logistic, integrated supply chain and lean manufacturing concepts.
- You can work with MS Project, Word, Excel, Power Point and MS Outlook.

To apply, please visit: <https://www.linkedin.com/jobs/view/4278569161>

*** Director, Intermodal Optimization, Halifax Port Authority, Halifax, NS, Canada**

With a core mandate to facilitate the movement of goods and people in support of economic development, and a commitment to safe, efficient, and sustainable operations, the Halifax Port Authority (HPA) plays a vital role as a strategic gateway to global markets. As a strategic port operator, HPA creates value for customers, partners, visitors, and the broader community through its three pillars of business: cargo, cruise, and real estate. The port is a hub of international connectivity, with the world's largest shipping lines calling here and linking Halifax to over 150 countries.

To advance its commitment to innovation and operational excellence, the Halifax Port Authority is seeking a Director, Intermodal Optimization. This is a strategic leadership role designed to optimize the efficiency and transparency of Halifax's supply chain performance through collaboration with the port's principal operators while analyzing and aligning with market demands and financial objectives. Reporting to the Senior Vice President, the Director ensures service level commitments are developed and met through data-driven planning, execution, and continuous improvement. The role involves managing a structured improvement cycle (Plan, Execute, Measure, Adjust), collaborating with key stakeholders, and delivering insights that

support operational fluidity. With a focus on facilitation, the Director helps maintain the Port's competitiveness by aligning with national mandates, responding to market needs, and contributing to throughput growth, revenue generation, and long-term sustainability.

HPA is seeking a seasoned professional in supply chain with analytics experience working in container terminal and/or intermodal operations. The successful candidate brings strategic thinking, broad business acumen, and a proven ability to lead analytics or data-driven teams in client-facing environments. With the credibility to serve as an effective facilitator, strong communication and interpersonal skills are essential, along with fluency in performance reporting and metrics. The ability to work independently, manage competing priorities, and maintain composure under pressure is critical. A second international language is considered an asset. This position demands analytical rigor, discretion, and adaptability, as well as the capacity to build and sustain effective relationships across a wide range of stakeholders.

To Apply

To fill this position, Halifax Port Authority has partnered with leadership advisory firm Odgers. Applications are encouraged immediately and should be submitted online ideally at <https://careers.odgers.com/en-ca/30704>

We thank all those who express an interest, however only those chosen for further development will be contacted.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

Halifax Port Authority (HPA) embraces a culture of belonging. No matter who you are, where you're from, how you think, what you believe in, or whom you love, HPA welcomes your application. HPA is made up of diverse backgrounds with unique perspectives and experiences. They encourage applications from 2SLGBTQ+, Black, Indigenous, and people of colour, women, newcomers to Canada, and people with disabilities. If you require any accommodation in the application and interview process, please get in touch.

Odgers is deeply committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion in all the work that we do. As part of our efforts to better understand our ability to reach as broad a pool of candidates as possible for our searches, our DEI team would like to encourage you to take a moment and access our Self-Declaration Form.

* Supply Chain Manager III, Amazon, Austin, TX, USA

Multiple Positions Available

Facilitate supply chain analysis to identify and recommend improvement opportunities for both new and existing processes scaling processes to standard methodologies across businesses, and leading alignment across organizations. Identify and drive operational improvements by proposing network wide solutions that improve the health of the supply chain. Work with external suppliers, and navigate, resolve, and mitigate risks where possible. Influence, drive, innovate, and come up with solutions to build, and solve problems in, supply chains.

Basic Qualifications

Master's degree or foreign equivalent degree in Business, Engineering, Operations, Supply Chain, Transportation, Logistics, or related field and two years of experience in the job offered or a related occupation. Employer will accept a Bachelor's degree or foreign equivalent degree in Business, Engineering, Operations, Supply Chain, Transportation, Logistics, or related field and five years of progressive post-baccalaureate experience in the job offered or a related occupation as equivalent to the Master's degree and two years of experience. Must have one year of experience in the following skill(s): 1) experience working in program management, logistics, operations, supply chain, or transportation fields; 2) experience leading cross-functional supply-chain/logistics programs; 3) experience working on and leading the design, implementation, and optimization of supply chain initiatives; 4) experience with data mining and data analysis; 5) experience using Microsoft Excel including pivot tables, macros, index/match, vlookup, VBA, and data links; and 6) experience with analytical tools such as SQL, Tableau, or Microsoft Access.

Preferred Qualifications

All applicants must meet all the above-mentioned requirements.

To apply, please visit:

<https://www.linkedin.com/jobs/view/4300115316>

★ Did you know CILTNA has an X (formerly Twitter) Account?

Go to: https://twitter.com/cilt_na and Follow Us.



★ Be sure to follow the page to get all the latest news and events!

Go to: <https://www.linkedin.com/company/chartered-institute-of-logistics-and-transport-in-north-america/> and Follow Us.



★ Like and Follow us on Facebook to keep up to date on the latest news and events!

Go to: <https://www.facebook.com/CILTNA/> and Follow Us.



★ We are on Instagram!

Go to: <https://www.instagram.com/ciltna/?hl=en> and Follow Us.



★ Did you know CILTNA has a YouTube Channel?

To view all of our past webinar/event recordings, please subscribe to our YouTube channel at:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1gRKcOcJ5vohMSRFBjIEFA>

Subscribe and click the bell icon to receive notifications whenever we post a new webinar video.

