

St. John's Port Authority

Newfoundland and Labrador, Canada



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The SJPA is financially self-sufficient; operates with full commercial discipline; derives all revenues from port activities; and reinvests all earnings into Port infrastructure and operations.

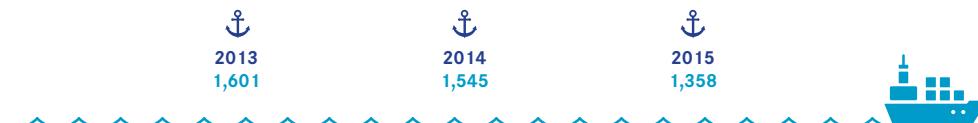
## Mission

Our mission as the SJPA is to provide reliable, economic and efficient port services for the purposes of supporting Canadian trade, fostering regional economic development and serving Newfoundland and Labrador's distribution requirements.

## Cargo Statistics



## Vessel Arrivals



## A Message from the President & CEO and Chairperson

This past year was a significant milestone for the St. John's Port Authority as it commemorated the 50<sup>th</sup> year of operations as a federally-incorporated port.

This anniversary has given us the opportunity to reflect on what makes the Port of St. John's unique, what it means to those who visit and work here, and the value of the Port's economic impact on our city, our province and our country. Over the many years of improvements – facility and pier upgrades, new technologies, safety and security enhancements – there is one thing that has remained constant: the port is home to a collection of remarkable, highly skilled and resilient people.

It's a message we can't repeat enough: the people that live and work here are the driving force of the Port of St. John's. They are what make it an economic engine for trade and development and a modern, accessible and flexible service centre. As a tribute to these people, we celebrated our anniversary with the publication of an oral history: *A Beautiful Sight: Stories from the Port of St. John's*, which honours the history and stories that the port has inspired. And we encourage visits to its companion website, [www.abeautifulsight.ca](http://www.abeautifulsight.ca), which is full of photo and audio files of this wonderful place.

We remain grateful to our many stakeholders for providing the foundation for success. We have an important, far-reaching regional economic role and a responsibility to provide world-class, efficient port services, and we thank the port community for contributing to its many achievements. Together, for more than 500 years, we've achieved something remarkable – a port with a reputation for entrepreneurship, reliability, and commitment to community. With these values in mind, we look to the future with confidence in the port's continued success.

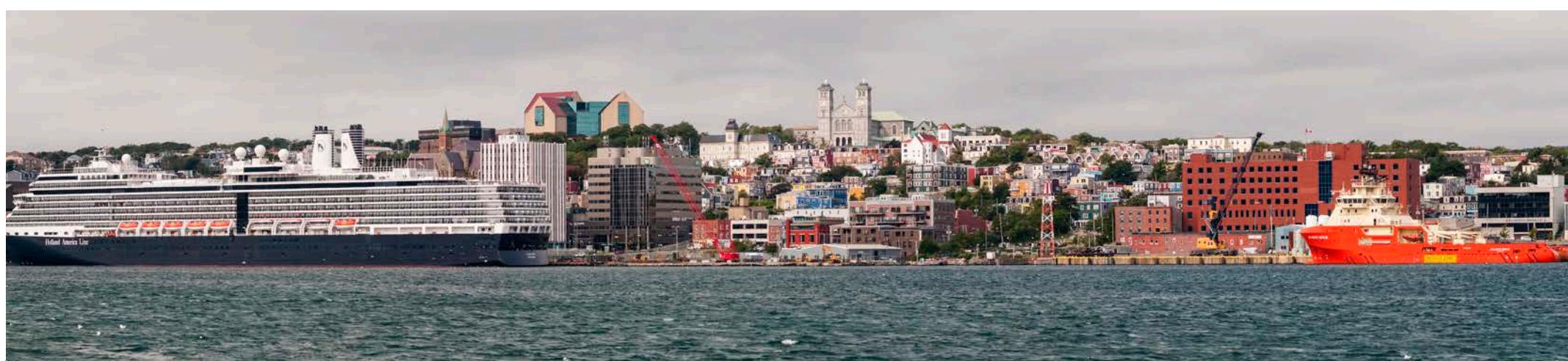


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Sean Hanrahan, LL.B.  
President & CEO

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Russ Carrigan  
Chairperson

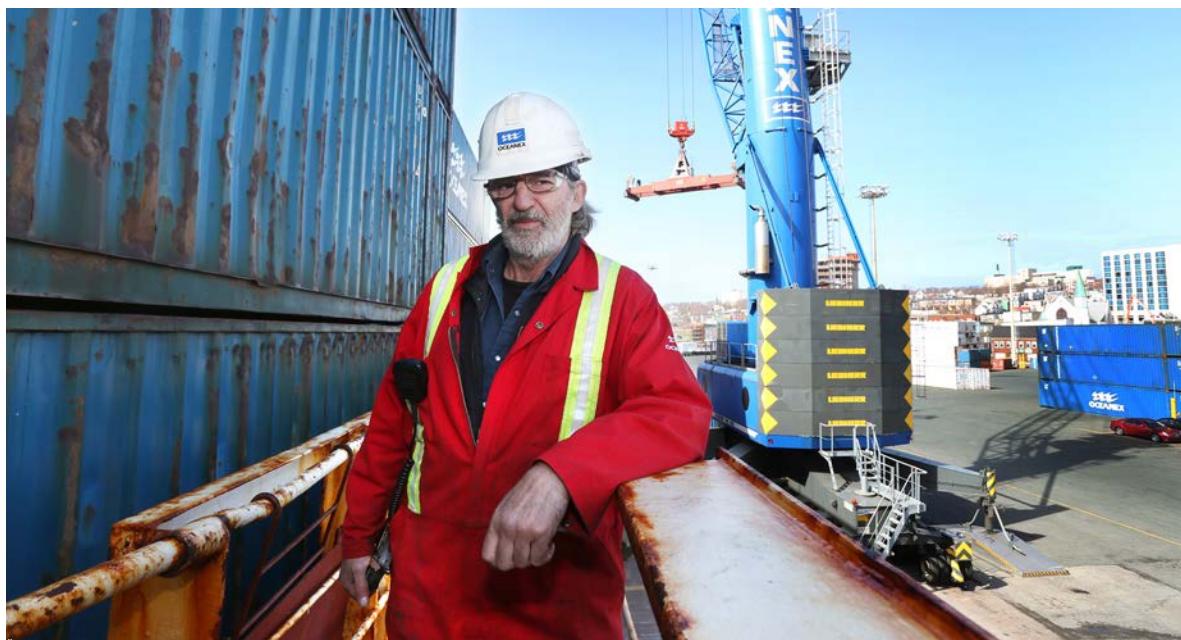


## The Port of St. John's

For more than five centuries, St. John's Harbour has been prized as one of the finest harbours anywhere to be found. Ice-free, naturally sheltered and conveniently situated near the resource-rich Grand Banks and busy shipping lanes, it remains an excellent destination for the marine industry to thrive. It's a diverse service centre for container traffic, offshore energy supply and service, fishing, marine maintenance and cruise ships, all with access to extensive service and supply chains. The Port of St. John's continues to be a crucial economic catalyst for Newfoundland and Labrador, supporting its primary industries, generating thousands of jobs and welcoming visitors from around the world. The activity happening here makes a positive impact on the province's economy each and every day.

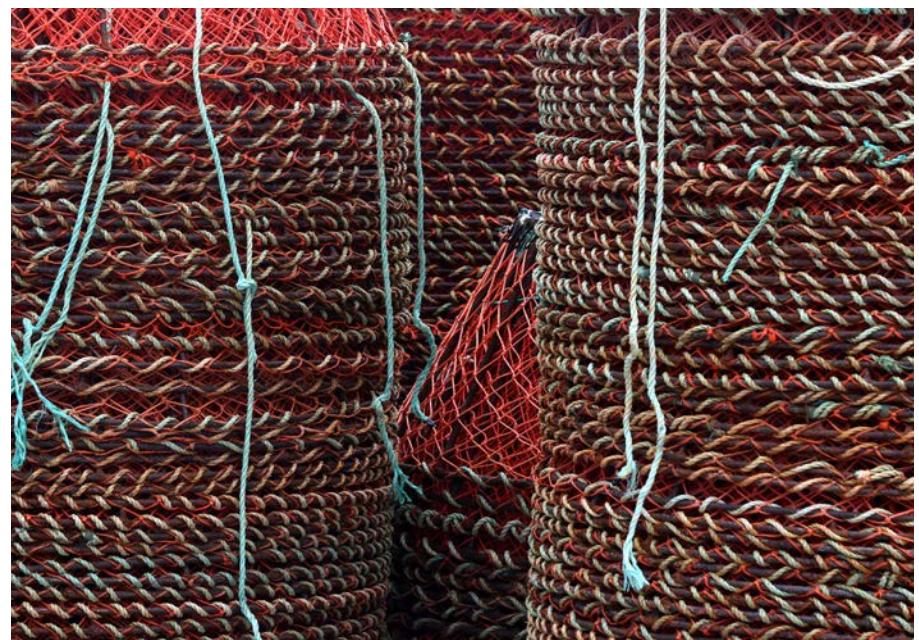
The Port of St. John's remains a strategic hub for synergy and innovation, committed to an uncompromising level of service across all marine sub-sectors. The broad network of businesses operating here, coupled with an opportunity for partnership and collaboration makes us logically efficient and highly productive. We look forward to continuing to respond to industry trends and advances.

As today's steward of the port, the St. John's Port Authority does not take its role lightly. We are reminded every day of the port's value and are dedicated to shepherding its modernization in a way that will make future generations proud.



Today, the Port of St. John's proudly stands as:

- » The site of the Province's primary and most advanced container terminal
- » The primary offshore energy supply and service centre on the East Coast of Canada
- » The Province's pre-eminent marine transportation supply and service centre
- » One of the largest fish-handling ports in Newfoundland and Labrador
- » An increasingly preferred destination for the cruise ship industry





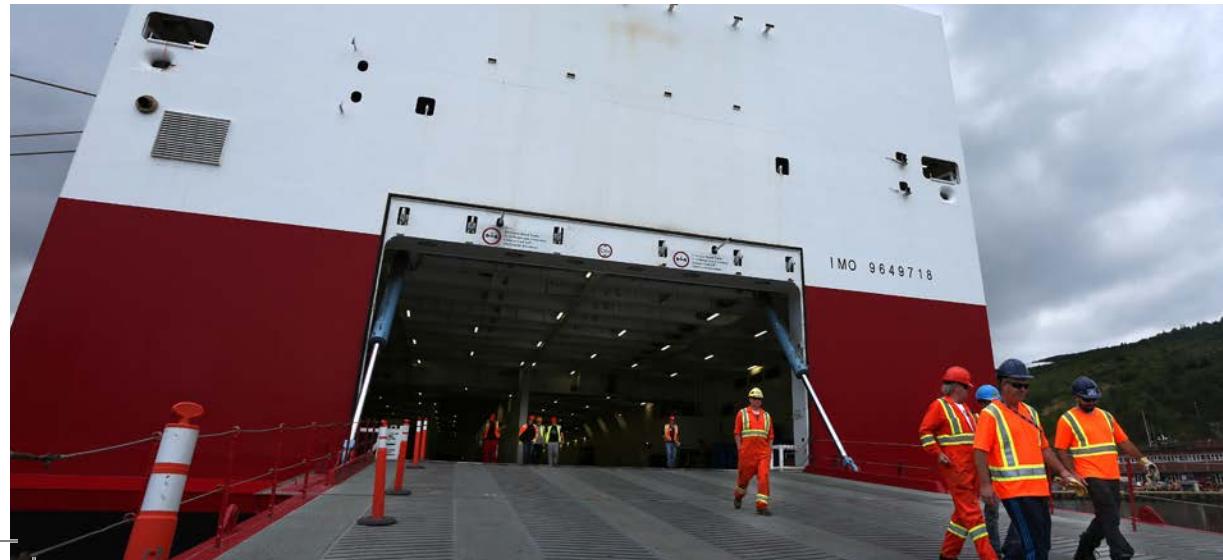
## Marine Transportation

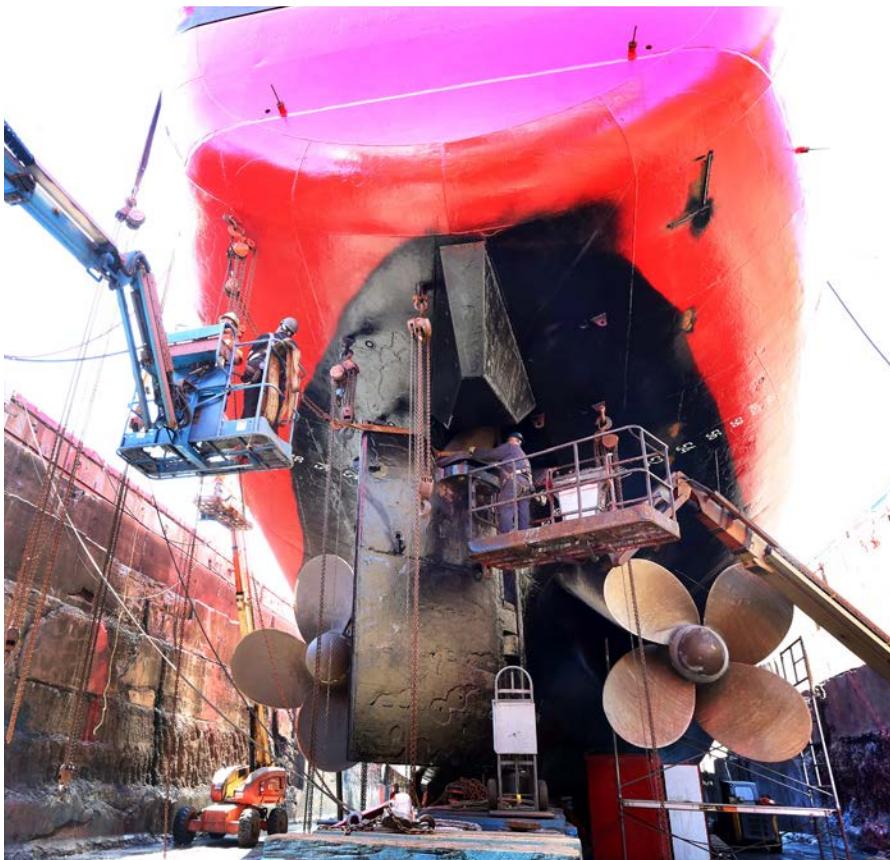
Innovative enterprise has found its home at our piers. One of the port's most successful partnerships is with Oceanex, a national leader in intermodal transportation and the operator of the largest and most modern container facility in the province, located at the west end of the harbour. In Oceanex, we have a valued partner that enhances the Port's reputation with its long-standing commitment to service, efficiency, safety and on-time performance.

The people of Newfoundland and Labrador rely on marine transportation for the goods they use every day. With its vertically integrated services, and world-class fleet of vessels, containers and trucking equipment, Oceanex transports half of the goods, including over dimensional and less-than-truckload freight, entering the island. Headquartered locally, one of Oceanex's strengths is efficiency – they have expertly used the size limitations of the port, forging an international reputation for efficiency, with a throughput almost double that of other similarly-sized ports.

Oceanex specializes in offering a diverse range of services: door-to-door transport, terminal services, marine crewing, ship management and logistics. Oceanex continues to advance its operations, with multiple projects underway to expand: including a new logistics park that will allow for more volume to come through its port terminal as well as the purchase of 125 new refrigerated containers to explore new cargo-handling opportunities.

*The Port of St. John's is a modern economic engine as a result of the exceptional partnerships it has fostered over many years.*





## Marine Maintenance & Repair

In the Port of St. John's, various marine sub-sectors work side-by-side in industrial interdependence – we call it the Marine Cluster. One company that contributes greatly to the synergy in the port is the Newdock repair facility. With more than 130 years' experience in maintenance and fabrication, Newdock's work is an essential component of the Marine Cluster – with repair berths capable of working on 6 ships at a time, including Canadian Coast Guard and Navy Fleets, offshore supply, barge and fishing vessels. Newdock's competitive edge is built on its experienced workforce, who have kept pace to meet the demands of industry time and time again: offering specialized fabrication as needed for subsea and other offshore-related industries, in addition to the fast-turnaround maintenance and repair work for which they are known.

## Safety & Security

Safety, security and regulatory-compliance are, for the St. John's Port Authority, as for all port users, of the utmost importance in doing business in the marine sector. As the volume and nature of activity in the Port of St. John's has dramatically increased over the past 50 years, we must remain proactive to protect not only the facilities, piers and vessels that operate here, but also the information and digital data that go hand-in-hand with being a modern port. Enhanced safety and security measures include compliance with the International Ship and Port Security (ISPS) code, port-wide security infrastructure, a heritage-style safety/security fence and a new radio frequency identification (RFID) system for all vehicles operating on SJPA facilities in order to improve operational awareness.

Even with all of these regulatory and industry requirements, the port remains a wonderful part of our community, with our citizens enjoying Harbourside Park and the Terry Fox Monument – and three popular waterside restaurants.

## Fishery

For more than 500 years, the Port of St. John's has been a vital service centre for the fishing industry: today is no different. With unbeatable access to prime fishing grounds and a highly skilled workforce, it's no wonder that our port is home to thriving piers that see millions of pounds of fish handled each year, and more than 700 small commercial vessels docking annually. We are pleased to be able to offer the fisheries industry highly efficient dockside capabilities, especially with the recent completion of the new Pier 20 facility, as well as access to a diverse supply and service network that enables quick turnarounds.



## Cruise Industry

The unique thrill of entering the Narrows from the rugged Atlantic, and discovering enclosed within the rocky cliffs a historic, colourful port city, never fails to impress the thousands of visitors that arrive on cruise ships each year. Once ashore, visitors are enthralled by our historically-infused streets, world-class food, friendly shops and spirited people. The Port of St. John's is a gateway to extraordinary outdoor adventures, outstanding cultural experiences and world-class music, dining and nightlife – and with all the amenities of a modern port, it has an incredible amount to offer the cruise industry. Our pride in our city encourages us to bring the world to our doorstep and showcase our spectacular landscape and culture.

The Port of St. John's is a major port of call for trans-Atlantic (North), Adventure Expedition, and home-porting itineraries. The St. John's Port Authority has forged a number of alliances to increase the profile of St. John's as an internationally-preferred cruise destination. We are a partner with Cruise Islands of the North Atlantic, a brand which markets the unique island destinations of Newfoundland and Labrador, Greenland, Iceland, the Faroe Islands and the Orkney Islands. Working together, we've solidified the importance of North Atlantic island ports within the industry. In 2010, with the City of St. John's as a partner, we developed Cruise St. John's, a brand dedicated to attracting new cruise lines and passengers to our beautiful city. We're also a partner port with Cruise Newfoundland Labrador, the provincial cruise association focused on promoting the province as a leading global cruise destination. These three alliances have helped put the port at the competitive centre of the industry.

### Cruise Industry Partnerships



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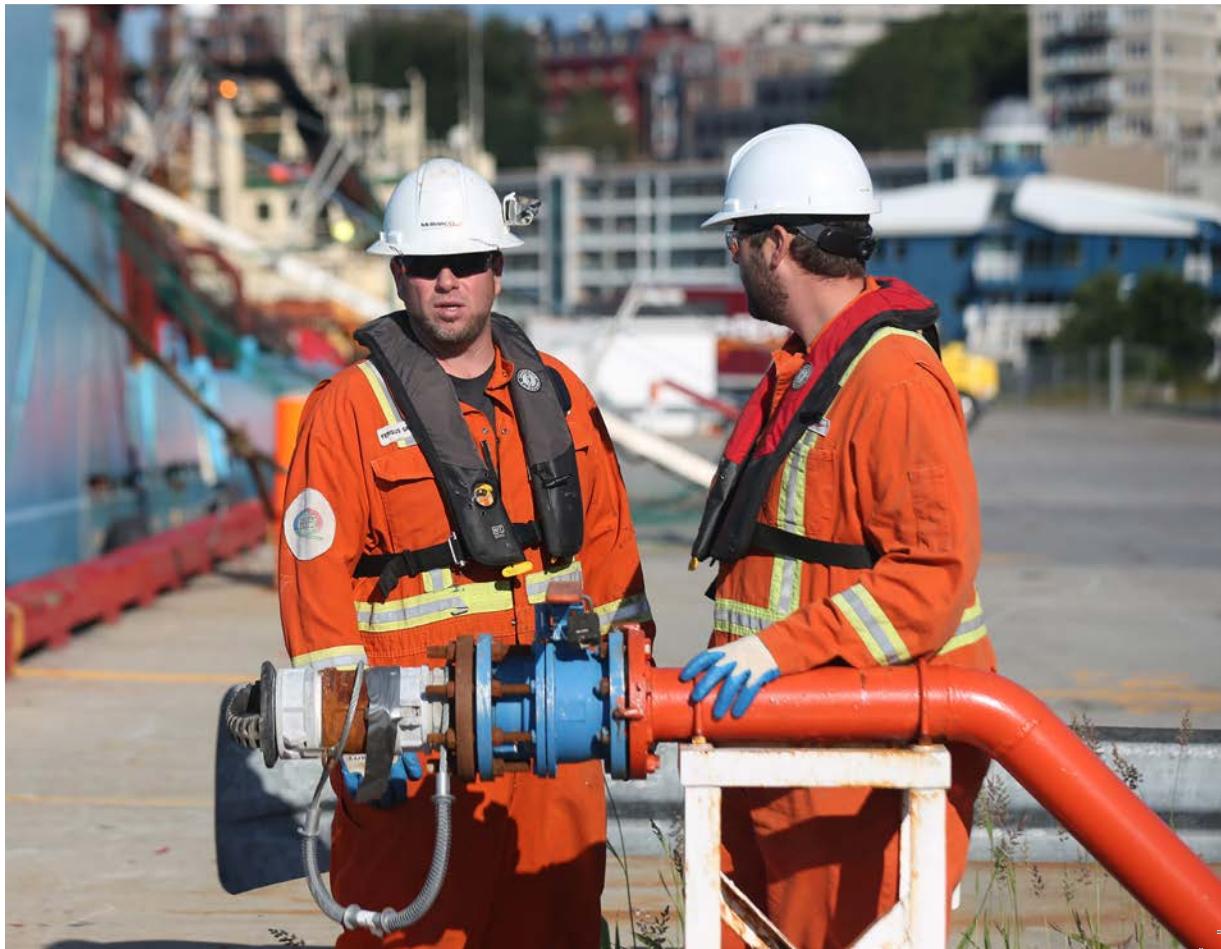
The 5000-passenger Regal Princess – the largest vessel ever to visit St. John's – arrived in 2015.



## Offshore Energy Supply & Service

While Newfoundland and Labrador is geographically fortunate to be situated alongside resource-heavy waters, the promise of financial reward comes with a number of challenges – weather conditions, icebergs and ocean depth. The offshore energy sectors supply and service facilities at the Port of St. John's play an essential role in ensuring that the work in support of the Hibernia, Terra Nova, White Rose, Hebron and future projects remains viable. Supplying offshore operations as far away as 280 nautical miles, port users continue to respond to industry demand by outfitting offshore projects with the drilling fluids, environmental solutions, food, supplies and fuels that are required to do business in the harsh North Atlantic.

The offshore industry in the province remains relatively young. Still in a stage of overall growth, there are great opportunities ahead, and the potential of future offshore energy projects in the province is promising. The port and the businesses that operate here will be ready for new developments. A. Harvey & Co. Ltd's commitment to the industry, and to the Port of St. John's, is evident in its redevelopment of Pier 12, which will be completed in 2016. Furthermore, Irving Oil's new Pier 23 Marine Gas Oil dock project will improve overall operations at its current and adjacent facilities. These significant investments will increase the overall berthing capacity of the entire port, thereby improving efficiency and expanding capacity to meet current and future industry needs, proving that the outlook for the future of offshore energy remains positive.



## Environment

The St. John's Port Authority makes it a priority to preserve the environmental integrity of the harbour and the land surrounding it – our goal is to ensure that port activities are sustainable as can be. We follow the best practices that are reviewed annually by the Association of Canadian Port Authorities and comply with the marine environment protection policies, programs and codes outlined by Transport Canada.

The St. John's Port Authority is also a proud certified member of Green Marine, an organization with a mandate to strengthen the marine industry's environmental performance. Through Green Marine, the St. John's Port Authority benchmarks its environmental performance annually.

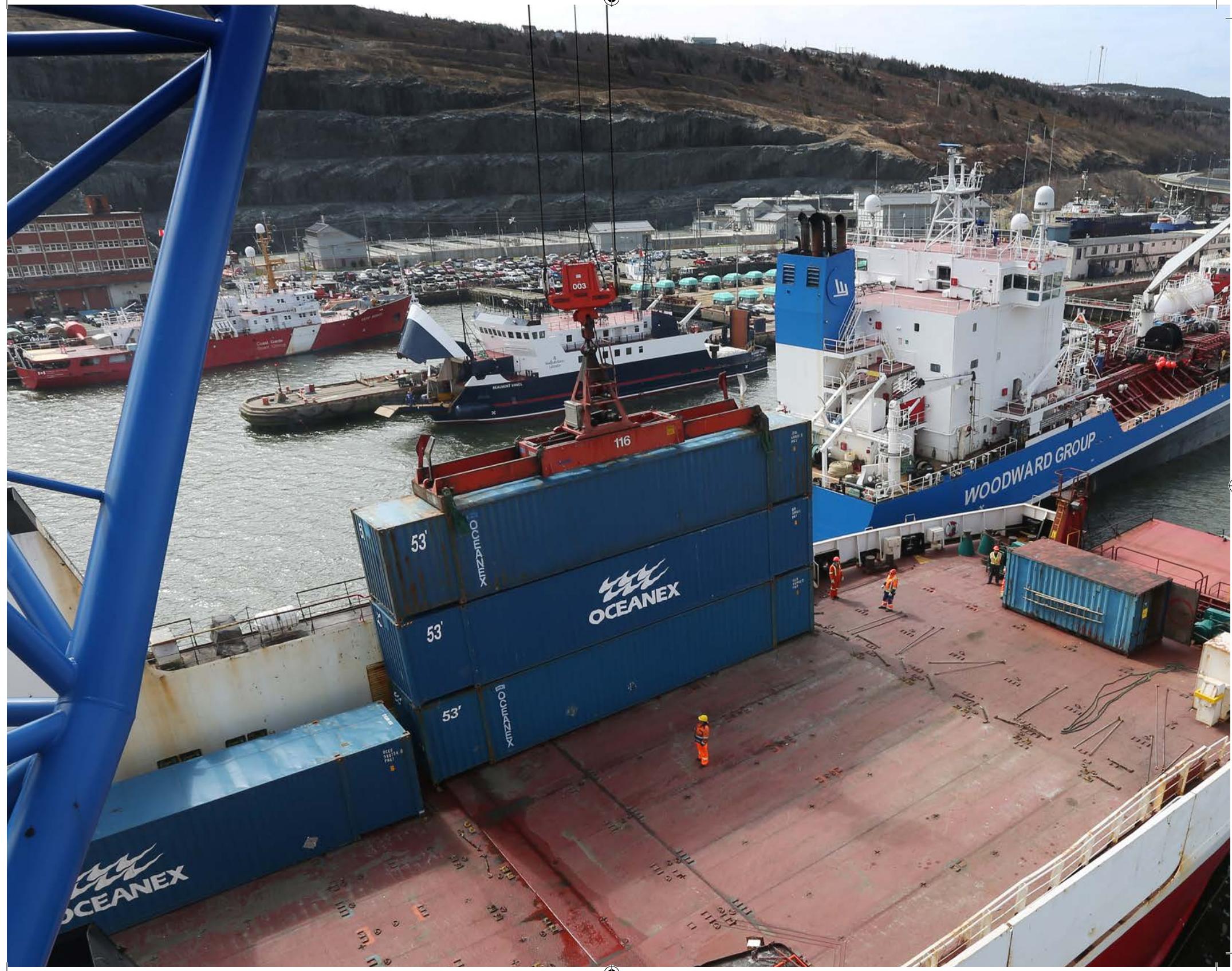


## Community

The St. John's Port Authority believes in giving back. We are thrilled to participate in a number of programs each year that make a positive impact on the community in which we live and work. We invest annually in the leaders of tomorrow with our scholarship program – to date, we are proud to have given over \$75,000 in educational funds to deserving students. For over 12 years, the Port's annual Harbour Lights Christmas fundraiser has generated funds for the School Lunch Association to assist in preparing more than 660,000 meals per year for distribution throughout 25 area schools.

The Port hosts a number of exciting and interactive events throughout the year. For example, partnering with the Sound Symposium, Cruise St. John's helps orchestrate the Harbour Symphony, which gathers musicians together to play ships' horns as an ensemble, entertaining all those within hearing distance with specially-composed pieces by renowned artists. From yacht races to special commemorations, we are proud to be involved in community-building activities of all kinds.



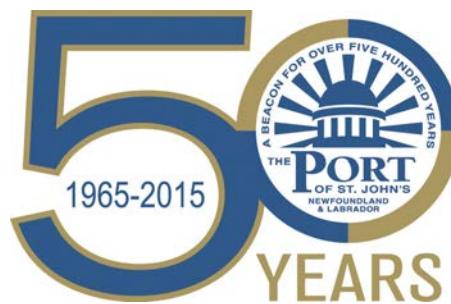


## The St. John's Port Authority – 50 Years Strong

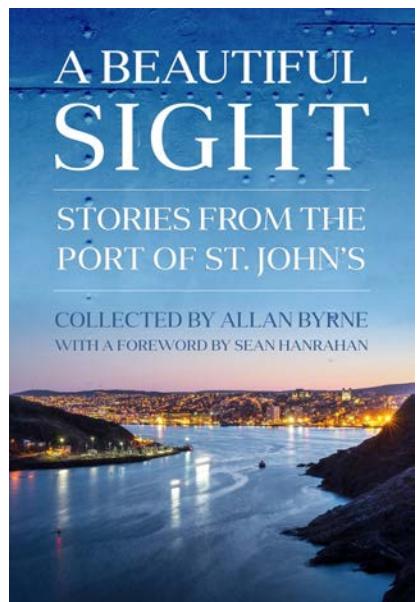
In January, 1965, the newly-formed Port Authority of St. John's re-envisioned the future of St. John's Harbour by replacing the finger wharves and piers, which had served the fishery and marine transportation for centuries, with the concrete marginal wharf running alongside Harbour Drive that still stands today. This began the transformation of the port into the modern, integrated port that it is today, and it's been our mission ever since to keep it a bustling, community and industry-driven service centre, on the leading edge of innovation.

We remain proud of our history and accomplishments, and marked our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2015 by reaching out to those who were there to witness first-hand the Port's progress. With 13 voices informing the project, from pilots to port users, the result is a fascinating oral history project, published by Flanker Press as a collection of stories, *A Beautiful Sight: Stories from the Port of St. John's*. The project's companion website ([www.abeaautifulsight.ca](http://www.abeaautifulsight.ca)) houses audio clips from our contributors, as well as a timeline and compelling photo archive documenting the Port's heritage, making a rich picture of the port's far-reaching impacts throughout its storied history.

Ever-growing industries, a thriving port community and exciting opportunities for partnership give us much to look forward to. It's our commitment to maintain our position at the forefront of the province's marine sector as one of the primary economic drivers, and find new ways to innovate, collaborate and improve. Taking this mission forward, we're excited to build upon the decades of hard work that have brought us this far, and make the next 50 years, and beyond, something to celebrate.



Our commissioned 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary brand



The anniversary website and book are full of archival images showing the port's rich history





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