

Transportation Information Update*

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AIR TRANSPORTATION

1. Air Canada and Air China Expand Cooperation Agreement, Enhancing Codeshare and Interline Connections Between Canada and China

Air Canada and Air China are pleased to announce the expansion of their long-standing commercial cooperation agreement. The expanded agreement further enhances the carriers' interline and codeshare services offered via their respective hubs, making it more convenient for customers to travel between Canada and China (by adding six more destinations in each country) while extending the Star Alliance partners' international networks.

2. Air Cargo Continues Low Gear Acceleration

The International Air Transport Association (IATA) reported a continued modest improvement in air cargo markets in August 2013. August air freight demand was up 3.6% on the previous year. That is considerably better than year-to-date performance of a 0.7% expansion. Demand for air freight began increasing slowly from April 2013, in line with strengthening business confidence, as economic performance in Europe and the US showed signs of improvement.

3. WestJet reports September load factor of 76.6 per cent

WestJet on October 3, 2013 announced September 2013 traffic results with a load factor of 76.6 per cent. Revenue passenger miles (RPMs), or traffic, increased 5.7 per cent year over year, and capacity, measured in available seat miles (ASMs), grew 9.2 per cent over the same period. The load factor was 2.5 points below last years all time high. The airline flew 4.9 million guests in the third quarter, a year-over-year increase of 7.1 per cent or approximately 330,000 additional guests.

4. Air Canada tops TSX performers as stock surges 123% this year

Air Canada's stock surged to the highest level in almost five years in anticipation of strong September 2013 travel data, taking its gains for the year to 123% and making it the best performing stock in the country. Air Canada rose 4.3% to \$3.90 at the close in Toronto on October 3, 2013, the highest since Nov. 7, 2008, according to data compiled by Bloomberg.

5. Air Canada Reports September Load Factor and Updates Guidance

For the month of September 2013, Air Canada reported a system load factor of 83.2 per cent, versus 84.9 per cent in September 2012, and a system load factor for the 2013 third quarter of 86.2 per cent, versus a record of 86.3 per cent for the quarter last year. System traffic for September 2013 increased 1.9 per cent on a system-wide capacity increase of 3.9 per cent. Air Canada reports traffic results on a system-wide basis, including Air Canada *rouge*, which began operations on

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July 1, 2013, and regional airlines from which Air Canada purchases capacity. Calin Rovinescu, President and Chief Executive Officer said "I am pleased to report solid traffic results for the month of September, led by strong gains of almost six per cent in the Pacific market."

6. Aircraft movement statistics: Small airports, June 2013

The number of take-offs and landings for 130 airports without air traffic control towers reached 64,448 movements in June 2013. Goose Bay, Newfoundland and Labrador (3,320 movements) and Peterborough, Ontario (2,485 movements) were the most active sites.

7. CAC Newsletter, The Airport Voice, September 2013

The Conference Board of Canada published a report on September 30, 2013 entitled *Growing Canada's Economy: A New National Air Transportation Policy*, which examines several recommendations towards improving Canada's air transportation industry based on three broad areas: providing economic and social benefit to Canadians, border and security facilitation, and enhancing the industry's competitiveness. The report made several recommendations on: 1. New approaches to visa processing, security and border screening, and tourism promotion; 2. A robust funding mechanism for the Canadian Air Transport Security Authority; 3. A renewed focus on increasing Canada's share in the rise of international air traffic; and 4. Improving the air transport industry's cost structure; and 4. Attention to the financial sustainable challenges of smaller airports.

8. Landmark Agreement on Climate Change at ICAO

The International Air Transport Association (IATA) praised the leadership of governments in reaching a landmark agreement on Climate Change at the close of the 38th Assembly of the United Nations International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO). The agreement commits ICAO to developing a global market-based measure (MBM) that will be an essential enabler for the industry to achieve carbon-neutral growth from 2020 (CNG2020). A global MBM complements progress on improving technology, operations and infrastructure in the industry's long-established four-pillar strategy to manage aviation's climate change impact. Tyler, CEO of IATA said "Today was a great day for aviation, for the effort against climate change and for global standards and international cooperation..."

9. Canada announces new and expanded air transport agreements with Algeria, Burkina Faso, Ecuador, Ethiopia, Macedonia, South Africa and Turkey

The Government of Canada has successfully concluded new and expanded air transport agreements with seven countries spanning several regions of the world. The amended agreements with Algeria, Ethiopia, South Africa and Turkey expand Canada's existing air transport relationships by allowing airlines to introduce more flight options and routings, which benefit passengers and businesses by providing greater choice and convenience. First-time bilateral air transport agreements have also been reached with Burkina Faso, Ecuador and Macedonia. They provide for code-sharing and price adjustment according to market conditions.

10. Air Canada Launches Major European Expansion

Air Canada is undertaking a major expansion of international services to Europe from Toronto, Montreal, Vancouver and Calgary. Its plan includes: 1. Four new destinations: Milan, Lisbon, Nice and Manchester; 2. Non-stop Toronto-Istanbul service expansion to daily flights; 3. New Premium Economy cabin on select London Heathrow flights; and 4. Barcelona non-stop flights from both Toronto and Montréal on Air Canada rouge.

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Air Canada announced on October 8, 2013 that it is boosting its international Summer 2014 services to Europe from Montreal with the launch of seasonal non-stop flights between Montreal and Nice, France and the re-introduction of the Montreal-Barcelona service.

12. Minister Raitt reiterates the importance of partnerships to keep travellers secure and safe

On October 9, 2013, the Honourable Lisa Raitt, Minister of Transport addressed the 2nd Annual International Airport Investigators' Training Symposium on the importance of partnerships to keep travellers secure and safe. "Security cannot be an afterthought as it is critical to air transportation in Canada and around the world," said Minister Raitt. The Government of Canada has committed over \$2 billion to aviation security since 2006.

13. Air Canada stock how high can it fly?

Since 2007, holding Air Canada stock has been a nightmare to investors but the feeling is now changing. After a near second bankruptcy, it has begun to recover. In the last year, it has gone up by more than 400 percent. But is there more upward potential? "We believe Air Canada is in the early stages of a transformational change which will lead to vastly improved operating metrics," Mr. Spracklin (of RBC Dominion Securities) said in a recent note, in which he raised his price target to \$5.50. If the company can realize its expected unit cost savings – which it recently increased to a whopping 15 per cent over the medium term – profitability will improve, said Mr. Malik of Barometer. "As long as they stay disciplined, there is a lot of upside," he said. Other investment analysts indicate the rise in stock has been too steep too rapidly and advocate caution.

14. The Commission welcomes the European Parliament's support for new stricter rules on aircrew fatigue

Following the European Parliament's vote in plenary, Vice-President Kallas said: "*I am pleased with this vote which opens the way for new stricter EU-wide rules on pilot fatigue. It will bring better protection of passengers and safer working conditions for crew. This is a victory for common sense.*" The purpose of this new legislation to modernise the high European standards on aviation safety is to clarify and improve the current regulations on flight and duty time limitations (known as flight time limitations, or "FTL") — taking into account the latest scientific and technical evidence. The proposal includes more than 30 provisions aimed at improving the crew protection against fatigue, offering them safer and better working conditions.

15. Air Canada Launches New Rewards Program for Business

Air Canada has launched a new program called Air Canada Corporate Rewards that offers useful online tools to help businesses of all sizes better manage their travel, reduce costs and earn rewards to enhance travel.

16. Remarks of Tony Tyler at the Media Round Table, Singapore

Tony Tyler, CEO of IATA updated the Media Round Table on their latest outlook on October 16, 2013 in Singapore. First on the outlook, IATA revised its forecast for the year in September 2013. It continues to see 2013 as a better year for the industry than 2012. The bottom line numbers support that. Airlines made a net profit of \$7.4 billion last year. IATA sees that increasing to \$11.7 billion this year. And IATA expects a further increase to \$16.4 billion in 2014. He then outlined global trends and regional performance i.e., oil prices remain high, the economy remains weak, there is a divergence between the performance of the passenger and cargo sectors, and consolidation and joint ventures are proving to be successful. Second on cargo, he indicated that while cargo volumes have basically been stagnant at around 50 million tonnes a year since 2010, cargo revenues have declined from a peak of \$67 billion in 2011 to an expected \$59 billion this year, i.e., yields are falling. On top of that, there is evidence of a loss of market share. Air cargo volumes are growing more slowly than world trade is expanding.

17. Partnership to Revitalize Air Cargo

The International Air Transport Association (IATA) called on all participants in the air cargo value chain to work together towards the common goals of improved quality, increased efficiency through e-AWB (e-airway bills) and e-freight and more effective security. Combined, these measures will improve air cargo's competitiveness in the face of stagnant demand growth and unfavourable market developments.

18. Remarks of Tony Tyler at the FIATA World Congress, Singapore

Colin Tyler in his speech at the FIATA World Congress in Singapore spoke on how they can work in partnership to build a stronger future for air cargo. He first indicted that while the air cargo market had recovered from the depression of 2008-9, it has failed to continue to make progress. His short list on how to get it going is: improve quality, implement e-air waybill (e-AWB) and e-freight, enhance security, and become much closer partners.

19. Air Canada's 'building block approach' paying off, CEO says

Air Canada's chief executive, Calin Rovinescu, says he's pleased investors are starting to get on board with the dramatic transformation underway at his airline, including the near-elimination of its multi-billion-dollar pension funding deficit that has twice threatened to upend the company in recent years. But there are challenges ahead he said. Air Canada's shares have skyrocketed since August 2013, when it delivered a stronger-than-expected 2013 second-quarter result. The stock has climbed roughly 135% since then, closing at \$4.96 a share on the Toronto Stock Exchange on October 14, 2013. Its shares are trading in the third week of October 2013 at their highest point since the fall of 2008, prior to the economic crisis.

20. Greater Toronto Airports Authority and Air Canada announce a new Commercial Agreement to build global hub

On October 18, 2013, the Greater Toronto Airports Authority (GTAA) and Air Canada announced an enhanced commercial relationship to further develop Toronto Pearson as a global hub. In addition, the new commercial agreement is designed to deliver continued improvements to customer service offering Canadians greater flight frequencies to existing markets and opening up access to more global destinations.

21. Global Air cargo market report released

Research and Markets analysts forecasted that the Global Air Cargo market will grow at a CAGR (compound annual growth rate) of 5.97 percent over the period 2012-2016. One of the key factors contributing to this market growth is the increasing number of online retail stores. The Global Air Cargo market has also been witnessing an increase in the number of new air routes. However, the increasing competition from surface transportation could pose a challenge to the growth of this market, said the report. The key vendors dominating this space include Deutsche Post AG, FedEx Corp., United Parcel Services Inc., and TNT Express NV. The other vendors mentioned in this report are Air France-KLM-Martin Air Cargo, Lufthansa Cargo AG, and Singapore Airlines Cargo Ltd.

22. Air Canada Named One of Canada's Top Employers for 2014

On October 22, 2013 Air Canada has been recognized as one of "Canada's Top 100 Employers" in an annual survey by Mediacorp Canada Inc.

23. Air Canada route launches Toronto-Las Vegas service with more seats than any other carrier; commences Montreal-Las Vegas flights March 2014

Beginning October 20, 2013, Air Canada route will offer ten flights a week from Toronto to Las Vegas for the winter 2013-2014 season featuring 264-seat wide-body Boeing 767-300 ER aircraft, representing a capacity increase of 13% on the route over last winter when it was operated by Air Canada. Air Canada route will assume the Montreal-Las Vegas route from Air Canada effective March 13, 2014 with ten flights a week. Air Canada will continue to operate service between Vancouver and Calgary to/from Las Vegas for the winter season.

24. Aircraft movement statistics: Major airports, July 2013

In July 2013, aircraft take-offs and landings at the 93 Canadian airports with NAV CANADA air traffic control towers and flight service stations increased 1.5% from July 2012. These airports reported 581,635 movements in July 2013.

25. New Calgary-Miami flights take to the skies

On October 28, 2013, WestJet launches new non-stop seasonal service between Calgary and Miami, Florida, home to the largest cruise ship port in the world. The first flight leaves Calgary International Airport at 1:30 p.m. MDT and arrives at Miami International Airport at 8:45 p.m. EDT.

26. Delivering More Value to Air Travelers

The International Air Transport Association (IATA) called on all partners and stakeholders involved in passenger travel to work together to deliver greater value to passengers. Tony Tyler the CEO of IATA focused on two areas where the industry can add greater value to the trip experience: 1) How customers shop for air travel; and 2) How they get through airports and stay connected to travel suppliers

27. Civil aviation operating statistics, July 2013

Civil aviation operating statistics for July 2013 are now available on CANSIM at the Statistics Canada website.

28. Global Cargo Growth Stabilizes – Regional Variances Remain

The International Air Transport Association (IATA) released figures showing cargo growth stabilizing in September 2013 following recent months of slow but steady growth. Freight Tonne Kilometers (FTK) grew by 0.5% year-on-year. While this is slower than the 3.4% growth recorded for August 2013, overall air cargo volumes are at a 25-month high, and steady increases in the size of the market since April 2013 have been supported by improvements in business conditions.

WATER TRANSPORTATION

1. Maersk Predicts Stronger Trade in Near Future

The recession in many worldwide economies that followed the 2008 crisis caused trade to collapse around the world. The continuing recession in Europe and slowdown in China and other big developing economies this year have led the World Trade Organization and others to downgrade their expectations for global trade this year and next. The WTO expects global trade to grow by just 2.5 percent this year. But Maersk Line said it believed the downturn in trade had bottomed out and predicted demand for global containers would grow by four to six percent in 2014 and 2015, up from recent forecasts of two to three percent for this year. “We believe we’ve reached the bottom of the cycle,” Jakob Stausholm, Maersk Line’s chief financial officer, told investors and analysts in Copenhagen recently.

2. Minister Raitt highlights importance of women in Canada's shipping industry in speech to Women's International Shipping & Trading Association Conference

The Honourable Lisa Raitt, Minister of Transport, on October 3, 2013 addressed participants at the 33rd Women's International Shipping & Trading Association (WISTA) Conference about the important role that women play in the marine sector. Minister Raitt stressed the importance of women’s access to management positions, as very important for the Government of Canada. “The top priorities for the Government of Canada are jobs, growth and long-term prosperity, and women are critical to Canada's economic success,” said Minister Raitt.

3. Atlantic mega projects attract growth, opportunity: Halifax Gateway Council

The Halifax Gateway Council hosted a meeting in Mississauga on October 3, 2013 to discuss the \$115 billion worth of mega projects to take place in the Atlantic Canada region. Elizabeth Beale, presenting on behalf of the Atlantic Provinces Economic Council, noted that Canada’s National Shipbuilding Procurement Strategy, a \$25 billion contract running from 2015-2035, already has some key suppliers on board, including GE Canada, Lockheed Martin, and Man diesel which will manufacture engines for the first phase of the project. There is also a \$2 billion worth of exploration commitments by Shell and BP, she said.

4. Sustainable shipping - the future?

The combined pressures of increased environmental regulation, such as the Energy Efficiency Design Index that came into effect on 1 January 2013, overcapacity in the freight market and rising fuel costs have resulted in an increasing trend towards sustainable shipping, with a particular focus on environmental responsibility. This is reflected in the now wide-spread practice of slow steaming, which has gone a long way towards restoring the profitability of long haul operators and helped to absorb excess capacity. However, slow steaming only goes part of the way to solving these issues. The focus is now turning to eco-ships and the retro-fitting of existing vessels.

5. Drewry’s Top Ten Global Terminal Operators Review

Drewry’s Annual Review of Global Container Terminal Operators, released in August 2013, shows that PSA International, Hutchison Ports, APM Terminals and DP World remain the big four players in equity TEU and portfolio terms but with varying levels of activity— DP World and APM Terminals are highly active in terms of acquisitions, divestments and greenfield developments, Hutchison moderately active and PSA less so.

6. Prince Rupert Port Authority – Monthly Traffic Report Statistics – September 2013

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14. Government of Canada awards contract for engineering and coordination services for the new bridge for the St. Lawrence project, October 18, 2013, www.tc.gc.ca
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Monthly traffic statistics at the Port of Prince Rupert in terms of TEUs for September 2013 was down 15.6% compared to the same month last year. The number of TEUs for September 2013 was 44,733. Year to date statistics (January to September 2013) indicate that traffic in terms of TEUs was down 4.3% compared to the same period last year. To date, the number of TEUs moved was 403,448.5 (in 2013) compared to 421,670.9 in 2012.

7. The Government of Canada welcomes the West Coast Spill Response Study

The Honourable Lisa Raitt, Minister of Transport, on October 10, 2013 welcomed the study commissioned by the province of British Columbia regarding the West Coast Spill Response Study and reiterated the Government of Canada's commitment to a world-class tanker safety system. "Our government is committed to protecting both the safety of Canadians and our environment," said Minister Raitt. "Through our government's plan for Responsible Resource Development, we are ensuring the safe and reliable transport of energy resources through our waterways."

8. Port of Montreal - Accumulated Container Traffic, January to September 2013

Total container traffic in terms of TEUs for the Port of Montreal (for first three quarters of 2013) was down 1% compared to the same period a year ago. Inbound traffic was down 2.6% to 494,822 TEUs and outbound traffic was up 0.5% to 517, 828 TEUs.

9. Port Metro Vancouver, Accumulated Container Statistics, September 2013

The Port of Metro Vancouver indicated that it's accumulated container traffic for the first three quarters of 2013 increased by 4% to 2,093,954 TEUs. Total imports increased by 3.1% to 1,129,846 TEUs and total exports increased by 5% to 964,108 TEUs

10. Global Shippers' Forum raises concerns over shipping alliance

The Global Shippers' Forum (GSF) has officially raised its concerns over the proposed P3 Global Alliance between Maersk Line, CMA-CGM and Mediterranean Shipping Company (MSC) by submitting detailed questions to the European Commission Competition Directorate in Brussels. The GSF has said that "it is aware that the P3 members consider that their Global Alliance falls outside the EU consortia block exemption (BER) and therefore requires a more in-depth assessment. Accordingly, the GSF needs to be in a position to submit its views on the competition law and market impact issues that may arise from the proposed Alliance".

11. Port of Halifax, Container Traffic – Third Quarter 2013

On October 18, 2013, the Port of Halifax reported its third quarter traffic results for 2013. Total traffic moved in terms of TEUs was 107,276 a 3.4% decline compared to the same quarter in 2012. Exports declined by 6.9% and imports increased by 0.3%. Year to date traffic indicates that the number of TEUs moved increased by 9.8% to 331,658. Exports increased by 8.9% and imports increased by 10.7%.

12. Port of Halifax, Cruise Traffic – Third Quarter 2013

On October 18, 2013, the Port of Halifax reported its third quarter cruise results for 2013. Total cruise activity for the third quarter increased by 6.1% to 140,467 passengers. Year to date traffic increased by 9.2% to 175,838 passengers compared to same period in 2012.

13. Harper government reaffirms Canada's commitment to protecting Canada's coasts and shores

On October 18, 2013, the Minister of Transport reintroduced in the House of Commons the *Safeguarding Canada's Seas and Skies Act*, an important piece of legislation first tabled in Parliament on March 18, 2013, as part of the Government of Canada's comprehensive measures to establish a World-Class Tanker Safety System. Proposed amendments to the *Marine Liability Act* will fill a critical gap in the current liability and compensation regime and implement a new international convention that covers incidents involving hazardous and noxious substances carried by ships. In addition, proposed amendments to the *Canada Shipping Act, 2001* will strengthen the current requirements for spill prevention and preparedness at oil handling facilities; increase Transport Canada's oversight and enforcement capacity; and enhance response to oil spill incidents.

14. Government of Canada awards contract for engineering and coordination services for the new bridge for the St. Lawrence project

The Government of Canada on October 18, 2013 awarded a \$15,218,401.43 (taxes included) contract to ARUP Canada Inc. for engineering and coordination services for the new bridge for the St. Lawrence project.

15. Drewry releases latest reefer shipping market annual review

Drewry Maritime Research has released its latest Reefer Shipping Market Annual review and forecast, which reports that worldwide perishable reefer trade increased by 52.1 million tonnes between 2002 and 2012, which represents by a combined annual growth rate (CAGR) of 3.6%. Seaborne perishable reefer

cargo has increased by a CAGR of 3.3% (25.6 million tonnes) from 66.8 million tonnes in 2002 to 92.4 million tonnes in 2012. The highest percentage growth continues to be seen in the exotic fruit category (pineapples, kiwifruit and avocados).

16. Port Metro Vancouver Applauds the Government of Canada's New European Trade Agreement

"Port Metro Vancouver applauds the successful conclusion of a comprehensive trade agreement between Canada and the EU as a materially important trade initiative," said Robin Silvester, President and Chief Executive Officer, Port Metro Vancouver, "Our port has a long history of trade with European nations. This new trade agreement with the EU serves to strengthen ties, improve access and grow trade; which supports local jobs and enhances communities."

RAIL TRANSPORTATION

1. Minister Raitt meets with the Federation of Canadian Municipalities to reiterate commitment to safe transportation

On September 30, 2013, the Honourable Lisa Raitt, Minister of Transport, met with the Federation of Canadian Municipalities as part of a continued open dialogue to discuss safe rail transportation. She reiterated that transport safety is her department's top priority.

2. CN takes part in climate change program with positive results

CN said it has earned a position of leadership for the quality of climate change data it has submitted to the global marketplace through CDP, the world's only global environmental disclosure system. The achievement was announced in the CDP Canada 2000 Climate Change Report 2013, which tracks how Canada's largest listed companies are acting in response to a changing climate.

3. CN's Mongeau calls on shippers to collaborate on moving one of largest grain harvests in history

Claude Mongeau, president and chief executive officer of CN said that current forecasts call for Western Canada crop production of more than 60 million tonnes - one of the largest harvests in history - and stressed that supply chain collaboration and information sharing will be essential to moving the crop efficiently. "Our grain customers have advised us in recent weeks that they are raising their original forecasts for this fall's shipments, as well as the amount of grain they intend to export between now and the end of this crop year next July [2014]. The current grain crop is now forecast to be among the largest in history. This is very good news for all of us involved in the business," Mongeau said.

4. Customer Focused Ideas You Can Steal From CN

The 27th Annual Conference on Transportation Innovation and Technology on October 8, 2013 discussed many interesting ideas. One of them was that the customer comes first. Increasingly, it's becoming clear that if you want to be competitive in a flat growth business environment, it's going to be about your relationship with your customers. CN put forth a number of ideas on how one can accomplish an enhanced relationship with your customer.

5. Confederation Line tunnel construction begins

On October 11, 2013 government officials marked the commencement of tunnel construction for the Confederation Line Light Rail Transit system, a historic moment for the nation's capital. The Ottawa LRT project is just one example of how the government is investing in infrastructure to move Ontario forward. MPP Chiarelli said "This project is creating local jobs, relieving our city's congestion and most importantly, increasing Ottawa's and Ontario's global competitiveness. I would like to thank our municipal and federal partners for their dedication to this project."

6. Analyst: Intermodal poised for long-term shipper growth

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While intermodal growth has remained steady at a rate of between 3 percent and 5 percent year over year, Nate Brochmann of William Blair & Co. said bringing midsized shippers into the fold will help increase that growth rate moving forward. Most intermodal users, he told American Shipper, are large shippers who have built in planning departments and have an “entrenched” experience with intermodal. But there’s always room for more.

7. Contract talks with CN Rail stall as union cites rail-safety concerns

Contract talks between Canadian National Railway Co. and the Teamsters have hit a rut, and the union is blaming an impasse over rail safety, the industry’s hot-button issue after a series of high-profile rail disasters in 2013. The Teamsters Canada Rail Conference, which represents 3,300 conductors, train and yard workers and traffic co-ordinators with Canada’s largest railway company, said on October 14, 2013 that CN’s decision last week not to extend a conciliation process could lead to a strike or a lockout on Oct. 28, 2013. The collective agreement expired on July 22, 2013.

8. Canada monitors CN Rail labor dispute ahead of October 21 talks

Canada's government is closely monitoring a dispute between the railroad workers' union and Canadian National Railway Co and wants both sides to continue talking, a spokeswoman for Labour Minister Kellie Leitch said on October 15, 2013. The railway says talks will resume on October 21, 2013 with government-appointed mediators, and union spokesman Roland Hackl, a member of the bargaining team, said the union hoped to reach a deal "without a labor disruption."

9. Harper government acts to increase safety in the transportation of dangerous goods

On October 17, 2013, the Honourable Lisa Raitt, Minister of Transport, acted to further enhance safety in the transportation of dangerous goods by directing that a [protective direction](#) be issued requiring any person who imports or transports crude oil to conduct classification tests on crude oil.

10. Union Pacific’s Freight Revenue Increases 5 Percent

Union Pacific on October 17, 2013 reported its profit in the third quarter of 2013 was \$1.15 billion, increasing 10 percent year-over-year from \$1.04 billion. Quarterly revenue rose 4 percent to \$5.57 billion, from \$5.34 billion in the same period last year. Freight revenue in the third quarter was up 5 percent, mainly driven by core pricing gains, UP said.

11. CN tanker train carrying oil and gas derailed west of Edmonton

A CN tanker train carrying oil and gas derailed west of Edmonton overnight. Thirteen cars — four carrying petroleum crude oil and nine carrying liquefied petroleum gas — came off the tracks around 1 a.m. local time in the hamlet of Gainford, about 80 kilometres from the provincial capital, authorities said on October 19, 2013.

12. Canadian National faces October 28 deadline

Canadian National Railway may be facing an Oct. 28, 2013 strike by the Teamsters Canada Rail Conference, which represents 3,300 CN workers, after the two parties were not able to a new contract during the negotiation period. The collective agreement expired July 22, and negotiations ended on Oct. 7, with CN rejecting the teamsters’ proposal to continue another round of talks.

13. Union optimistic for CN Railway deal this week

The Teamsters Canada Rail Conference union is optimistic that talks with Canadian National Railway Co, Canada’s largest rail operator, will produce a deal this week (i.e., third week of October 2013), a spokesman told Reuters.

14. Minister Raitt discusses strengthening safety with the Advisory Council on Railway Safety

On October 22, 2013, the Honourable Lisa Raitt, Minister of Transport, addressed executives at the Advisory Council on Railway Safety and underscored the critical role of the railway industry as the government strengthens railway safety standards. Minister Raitt reiterated the government’s priority of safety and highlighted its actions following Lac-Mégantic, including issuing an emergency directive to railway companies requiring: 1. Trains carrying dangerous goods be operated by at least two people; 2. No

17. CN announces new share repurchase program, two-for-one stock split, and declares fourth-quarter 2013 cash dividend, October 22, 2013, [www.cn.ca](#)

18. CP reports record Q3-2013 net income of C\$324 million or C\$1.84 per diluted share, October 23, 2013, [www.cpr.ca](#)

19. Norfolk Southern ends 3Q with revenue increase, October 24, 2013, [www.americanshipper.com](#)

20. CN extends EcoConnexions program to green public properties across Canada, October 24, 2013, [www.ctl.ca](#)

21. Pershing Square to sell 5.9 million Canadian Pacific Railway Ltd. shares in public offering Pershing, October 24, 2013, [www.nationalpost.ca](#)

22. Railway carloadings, August 2013, October 30, 2013, [www.statcan.gc.ca](#)

23. Canadian railways have strong safety record; strive for further improvements: president and CEO, October 29, 2013, [www.ctl.ca](#)

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1. CSX’s net income climbs, October 16, 2013, [www.joc.com](#)

trains carrying dangerous goods be left unattended on a main track; 3. Locomotive cabs be secured against unauthorized entry; 4. Directional controls be removed from unattended trains; 5. Special instructions on hand brakes would be applied to locomotives attached to one or more cars and left unattended for more than one hour; and 6. Automatic brakes would be set to full service position and the independent brake would be fully applied to locomotives attached to one or more cars and left unattended for less than one hour. The Minister asked the Advisory Council to strengthen the measures

15. CN reports Q3-2013 net income of C\$705 million, or C\$1.67 per diluted share

On October 22, 2013, CN released third-quarter results for 2013. The highlights were: 1) Third-quarter 2013 net income was C\$705 million, or C\$1.67 per diluted share, compared with net income of C\$664 million, or C\$1.52 per diluted share, for third-quarter 2012. The third-quarter 2013 results included a C\$19 million (C\$0.05 per diluted share) expense resulting from a one-time deferred income tax adjustment. 2) Excluding the income tax expense, Q3-2013 adjusted diluted earnings per share (EPS) increased 13 per cent to C\$1.72 from Q3-2012 diluted EPS of C\$1.52. 3) Revenues for the latest quarter increased eight per cent to a quarterly record of C\$2,698 million, driven by a four per cent increase in revenue ton-miles, and a three per cent increase in carloadings. 4) Operating income increased 10 per cent to C\$1,084 million. 5) The operating ratio improved by 0.8 of a point to 59.8 per cent. 6) Free cash flow totalled C\$778 million for the first nine months of 2013, compared with free cash flow of C\$1,036 million in the comparable period of 2012.

16. Canadian National's 3rd Quarter results Outstanding

Canadian National on October 22, 2013 reported its net income in the 2013 third quarter of C\$705 million (about US\$685.3 million), rising 6.2 percent from C\$664 million in the same period last year. The third-quarter results included a C\$19 million expense resulting from a one-time deferred income tax adjustment, according to the Class I railroad. Quarterly revenue rose 8 percent year-over-year to a record C\$2.70 billion, from \$2.50 billion, driven by a 4 percent increase in revenue ton miles and a 3 percent increase in carloadings. The operating ratio in the third quarter improved by 0.8 points year-over-year to 59.8 percent. Claude Mongeau, CN's president and CEO, called the company's quarterly results "outstanding."

17. CN announces new share repurchase program, two-for-one stock split, and declares fourth-quarter 2013 cash dividend

CN announced on October 22, 2013 that its Board of Directors has approved a new share repurchase program, and a two-for-one stock split of the Company's common shares outstanding. The Board has also approved a fourth-quarter 2013 cash dividend.

18. CP reports record Q3-2013 net income of C\$324 million or C\$1.84 per diluted share

On October 23, 2013, CP reported its 2013 quarterly results. Adjusted earnings per share of \$1.88 grew 45 per cent over third-quarter 2012, while third-quarter operating ratio was 65.9 per cent, an 820 basis point improvement over third-quarter 2012. "By all standards, this was an outstanding quarter," said E. Hunter Harrison, CEO. "What we have proven this quarter is the ability to drive earnings growth and lower our operating ratio, even in a softer volume environment. That's the power of the CP plan," added Harrison. The highlights were: 1. Total revenues were \$1.5 billion; an increase of 6 per cent and an all-time quarterly record; 2. Operating expenses were \$1 billion; a decrease of 6 per cent; 3. Reported net income in the third quarter was \$324 million; an increase of 45 per cent; 4. Adjusted net income, excluding a significant tax item of \$7 million, was \$331 million; an increase of 48 per cent; and 5. Free cash totaled \$318 million for the first nine months of 2013, compared with free cash of \$21 million in the comparable period of 2012

19. Norfolk Southern ends 3Q with revenue increase

Railway operating revenues at Norfolk Southern ended the 2013 third quarter at \$2.8 billion, a 5-percent increase over the same period in 2012, on the strength of a 4-percent rise in shipment volumes. Income from railway operations finished up 16 percent to \$849 million, while net income ended the quarter at \$482 million, up 20 percent.

20. CN extends EcoConnexions program to green public properties across Canada

CN says it will extend its CN EcoConnexions From the Ground Up program for another three years owing to a strong response from many Canadian communities to the program's inaugural 2012-13 launch. CN will provide grants of as much as \$25,000 apiece in matching funds to more than 100 Canadian communities in 2014-16 to help green public properties. Since CN initiated the program in 2012, there has been strong support for the program.

21. Pershing Square to sell 5.9 million Canadian Pacific Railway Ltd. shares in public offering
Pershing

Square Capital Management has announced a public offering of more than 5.9 million shares of Canadian Pacific Railway Ltd. that would have a value of more than \$880-million at market prices. The deal makes good on a pledge by activist investor Bill Ackman back in June 2012 to divest seven million CP shares within a year, taking advantage of a big run-up in the railway's stock.

22. Railway carloadings, August 2013

The Canadian railway industry carried 28.7 million tonnes of freight in August 2013, up 2.7% from the same month last year. The growth was a result of increased freight traffic both originating on Canadian railways and received from the United States. Intermodal loadings increased 2.7% to 2.6 million tonnes in August 2013. Higher shipments of both containers and trailers loaded on flat cars contributed to the gain.

23. Canadian railways have strong safety record; strive for further improvements: president and CEO

Claude Mongeau, president and chief executive officer of CN said Canadian railways have a solid record of improving their overall safety performance and remain committed to achieving further safety gains. CN and the rail industry are responding proactively to the Lac-Mégantic accident by taking a comprehensive view on ways to achieve further safety improvements, noted Mongeau. Rail industry partners are also taking steps to ensure safe loading and unloading procedures, properly identify dangerous goods, and look at ways to improve tank car safety, he said.

HIGHWAY TRANSPORTATION

1. Four of Five Modes Carried More U.S. NAFTA Trade in July 2013 than in July 2012

Four of the five transportation modes carried more U.S.-NAFTA trade in July 2013 than in July 2012 as the value of overall U.S. trade with its NAFTA partners rose 6.3 percent from year to year, according to the July 2013 North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) freight data released on September 27, 2013 by the Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS) of the U.S. Department of Transportation. Trucks carried 59.2 percent of the \$93.2 billion of freight moved in July 2013 between the United States and its NAFTA partners, Canada and Mexico. Trucks were followed by rail at 14.6 percent, vessels at 9.4 percent, pipeline at 8.3 percent and air at 3.7 percent. The surface transportation modes of truck, rail and pipeline carried 82.1 percent of the total NAFTA freight flows.

2. For-hire Motor Carrier Freight Services Price Index, second quarter 2013

The For-hire Motor Carrier Freight Services Price Index decreased 0.9% in the second quarter of 2013 from the first quarter. The general freight trucking component fell 1.3% and the specialized freight trucking component decreased 0.3%. Year over year, the index was up 0.4% in the second quarter from the same quarter of 2012.

3. Bill for Sleep Disorder Rule Gets Trucking Industry Support

Two US congressmen have introduced bipartisan legislation that would require the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration to write a regulation covering sleep disorders, rather than issue a guidance as it is planning to do. Both the American Trucking Associations (ATA) and the Owner-Operator Independent Driver's Association (OOIDA) are behind the bill.

4. Minister Raitt highlights importance of strong and vibrant trucking industry in speech to Canadian Trucking Alliance Board

The Honourable Lisa Raitt, Minister of Transport, underscored the importance of the trucking industry to Canada's long-term economic growth in a speech on October 3, 2013 to the bi-annual meeting of Canadian Trucking Alliance (CTA) Board members. "The Government of Canada recognizes the critical role the trucking

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15. Canadian Freight Index a Mixed Bag in September, October 28, 2013, www.todaystrucking.com

industry plays in our transportation system, the Canadian economy, and our trading relationship with the United States,” said Minister Raitt. “We will continue to work with other governments, businesses and stakeholders, such as the CTA, to strengthen safety in the trucking industry.”

5. Tompkins forecast sees aggressive growth in 3PL market

Tompkins International experts have reviewed the 3PL industry for 2013 and agree that it is growing at a faster rate than gross domestic product (GDP). However, Tompkins anticipates more aggressive growth than the 6 percent cited by other sources. “Global GDP is expected to expand by 2.2% and less than 2% in the U.S.,” says Valerie Bonebrake, Senior Vice President, Tompkins International. “Tompkins believes 3PL growth will be three to four times GDP, or 7 to 10 percent for 2013.”

6. Freight Shipments Rose 0.4% in August [2013] from July [2013]

The amount of freight carried by the for-hire transportation industry rose 0.4 percent in August 2013 from July 2013, rising for the second consecutive month to reach the second highest level in the history of the Bureau of Transportation Statistics’ (BTS) Freight Transportation Services Index (TSI). The Freight TSI has increased in eight out of the last 10 months, growing from 108.4 to 114.8, an increase of 5.9 percent since October 2012. Most of the increase was in trucking and rail intermodal.

7. OECD releases report on PPPs and funding of transport infrastructure

Public-private partnerships (PPPs) have become an important tool for governments to attract private finance for infrastructure investments. In the face of tight budgets, PPPs are seen as a means to maintain transport investment and limit public spending at the same time, said the OECD’s International Transport Forum. Experience with PPPs has been mixed, however. Some transport PPP projects have delivered major cost savings, many others have exceeded their budgets. PPPs are prone to overestimating revenues from the investment, and the associated risks often fall on the taxpayer when projects run into financial difficulty.

8. Cost reductions, strategic growth and a people-focus among Armour’s priorities

Wes Armour, CEO of Armour Transportation Systems, October 16, 2013 outlined several trends that are shaping the Canadian transportation industry. He was speaking at the Surface Transportation Summit, hosted by *Motortruck Fleet Executive*, *Canadian Shipper* and Dan Goodwill & Associates. The areas Armour said are changing the business include: cost reduction requirements; regulatory and technology-related changes; changing demographics; and customer-driven changes.

9. 'Collaboration' becoming more than just a buzzword: Jacquie Meyers

The term collaboration, as it applies to the relationships between shippers and carriers, has been “overused and misused in our industry,” but there are finally signs that shippers are truly interested in working with their carrier partners to gain efficiencies. That was the message from Jacquie Meyers, president of Meyers Transportation Systems, when addressing more than 300 carrier and shipper executives at the Surface Transportation Summit.

10. Livingston International acquires transportation and customs brokerage firm Advantex Express

Livingston International has acquired the assets of Advantex Express Inc. as well as the shares of its two U.S. entities, Advantex Express, Inc. and Andina Group International, Inc. Livingston’s CEO, Steve Preston, announced on October 17, 2013.

11. Sleep APNEA Rule Will Require More Research

U.S. President Obama signed a bill in the second week of October 2013 stating that any changes in federal requirements for handling truck driver sleep disorders, such as sleep APNEA, must come through the rulemaking process, rather than guidance to medical examiners. The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration has traditionally used a “guidance” to for examiners trying to spot drivers with a sleep disorder.

12. Large Urban transit, August 2013

In August 2013, total operating revenue (excluding subsidies) for 10 of Canada’s largest urban transit systems (80% of total) rose 5.4% from the same month in 2012 to \$252.6 million. Over the same period, ridership levels increased 1.6% to 122.4 million passenger trips.

13. The Big List of Trucking Industry Concerns

The American Transportation Research Institute (ATRI) released its top ten list of trucking industry concerns in the final week of October 2013. The concerns were: 1. Hours of Service; 2. CSA; 3. Driver Shortage; 4. Economy; 5. Electronic Logging Device Mandate; 6. Truck Parking; 7. Driver Retention; 8. Fuel Supply and fuel prices; 9. Infrastructure/Congestion; and 10. Driver Health and Wellness.

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1. U.S. Department of Transportation Announces \$29 Million to Fund New Research on Strengthening Transit Safety and Disaster Recovery Capabilities, October 21, 2013, www.dot.gov

14. Celebrating newly twinned lanes between Saskatoon and Prince Albert

A major milestone to support Saskatchewan growth was reached on October 25, 2013 as the last section of twinned lanes on the busy Highway 11 corridor between Saskatoon and Prince Albert opened to traffic. MP Hoback said "The Government of Canada is proud to have invested in this important job-creating initiative to twin Highway 11." "This project will have long-lasting benefits for the communities and businesses along this heavily used highway, as well as for the Saskatchewan economy at large. These improvements will also help reduce collisions and will make driving safer for everyone in the region."

15. Canadian Freight Index a Mixed Bag in September

There was a nine percent year-over-year increase in Transcore's Canadian Freight Index for September 2013 while month-over-month load volumes dropped by five percent. TransCore reported that while there was a 2013 third quarter drop of five percent from Q2, volumes increased by one percent when compared to the 1Q13 and rose two percent compared to 3Q12.

GENERAL TRANSPORTATION

Canada

1. Retail Supply Chains: What are the trends that will drive them?

The retail sector is going through profound changes in Canada. There have been a number of recently announced high profile mergers and acquisitions (Loblaw purchases Shoppers Drug Mart; Sobeys buys Canada Safeway, Hudson's Bay buys Saks) that will transform the retail landscape. We are also witnessing the American invasion. This will have an impact on transportation, warehousing and logistics – are we prepared?

2. What should you expect in 2014? Find out at the Surface Transportation Summit

Economic experts are calling 2010 – 2020 the Low Growth Decade. Chronically high unemployment in the United States, slowing growth in a number of other countries, an aging infrastructure and a lack of business confidence are holding back companies from investments in their North American operations. But there are signs of a recovery in America's housing sector, in the automotive industry and in other key sectors of the economy. But will these forces by themselves succeed in putting the economy back on its high growth path?

3. Minister Raitt discusses new technologies at the Canadian Innovation Summit

The Honourable Lisa Raitt, Minister of Transport on October 7, 2013 addressed participants at the Canadian Innovation Summit about the important role that new technologies play in the transportation sector. "Innovation is crucial to how we move people and goods safely and efficiently," said Minister Raitt. "As markets around the world change, it is vital for our transportation systems to keep ahead of these changes. A strong and efficient transportation sector is critical to Canada's future economic growth."

4. Van Horne Institute releases white papers on transportation policy; ramps up Northern Transportation Conference

The Van Horne Institute, established in affiliation with the University of Calgary to develop post-secondary programs in advanced supply chain and logistics and to develop public policy research in these fields, has released two white papers related to transportation policy in Canada: 'Reforming Canada's Transportation Policies for the 21st Century', and 'A Northern Transportation Strategy for Canada'. This will allow stakeholders to consider some of the issues when the Government reviews its transportation legislation in 2015.

5. EU Commission outlines transportation policy

The EU Commission has published maps outlining the "backbone" of its new single-market transportation policy, the trans-European transport network (TEN-T), and has announced transportation financing will rise

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to 26 billion euros (\$35.56 billion) between 2014-2020. TENT-T will include nine major transportation corridors — two North-South lanes, three East-West lanes and four diagonal routes.

6. Travel between Canada and other countries, August 2013

Travel to Canada rose 1.1% in August 2013 to 2.1 million trips, led by an increase in trips from overseas countries. Just over 1.7 million visitors came to Canada from the United States in August 2013, up 0.2% from July 2013. Canadians took 5.4 million trips abroad in August 2013, down 0.1% from July 2013.

7. Canada, EU conclude fair trade deal

The European Union and Canada have agreed on a multi-billion-dollar trade pact integrating two of the world's largest economies. The deal makes Canada the only G8 country - and one of the only developed nations anywhere - to have preferential access to the world's two largest markets, the EU and the United States, home to a total of 800 million people, said the report.

8. EU, Canada Eye \$29 Billion Annual Payoff From Free Trade Deal

The European Union and Canada expect their free trade agreement will boost two way trade in goods and services by \$29 billion a year. Brussels and Ottawa are targeting a 2015 launch for the deal signed October 18, 2013 which requires approval from the EU's 28 governments, the European Parliament and Canada's 10 provinces. Struck after four-and-a-half years of negotiations, the agreement will eliminate tariffs on almost all goods and services, boost quotas for European dairy products and remove duties on 80,000 tons of Canadian pork and 50,000 tons of Canadian beef. It will also streamline regulations, cut red tape and open up the two sides' public procurement markets.

9. Halifax port authority endorses Canada-European union trade deal

The Halifax Port Authority is pleased to see the Federal Government sign the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement on October 18, 2013 with the European Union. This important trade deal will create new opportunities for the Port of Halifax due to its location as the closest deep water North American port to northern Europe and the Mediterranean with strong links to the central Canadian market through rail and highway connections. There are several direct shipping routes connecting the Port of Halifax to countries in northern Europe and the Mediterranean.