



## **Squamish Terminal Backgrounder on Accommodating VANOC Workforce**

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### **Background**

A Cruise Ship will be berthed at the Terminal in Squamish early in 2010 to provide accommodation for VANOC workforce. The Cruise Ship will be docked at the Terminal from January 26 to March 23, and will temporarily house as many as 1,100 workforce from Canada and around the world.

### **The Terminal is amending operations to be part of the local community's legacy**

The Terminal will be part of Squamish's 2010 legacy by supporting local economic opportunities, and contributing to VANOC's efforts to engage the community. For nearly two months, the Terminal will amend its industrial operations and dedicate one of its two berths to the Cruise Ship (the company will continue to provide terminal services to its customers by using its second berth).

### **Buses to transport VANOC workforce to/from Squamish**

In keeping with VANOC's commitment to sustainability, VANOC workers will be transported on buses to and from the Terminal to their venues. The bus service will help limit the number of cars required to move such a large number of people along the Sea to Sky Corridor.

In addition, VANOC is organizing a shuttle service that will operate locally to transport workers and crew directly into Squamish, with scheduled stops from early in the morning to late in the evening. This shuttle service will provide exposure to local businesses, and ensures workers and crew can access the many products and services Squamish has to offer.

### **Fast Facts:**

- The Cruise Ship will arrive in Squamish from Greece and berth at the Terminal from January 26 to March 23. The ship is over 200 meters long.
- VANOC workforce staying on the ship includes staff, volunteers and contractors.
- Approximately 1,100 VANOC workforce will reside on the Cruise Ship.
- The shuttle service will include scheduled stops at locations throughout Squamish (e.g. restaurants, bars, grocery stores) and then back to the Cruise Ship.
- The Terminal will continue to provide terminal services to its customers by using its second berth.

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