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## HARBOUR AUTHORITY ANNOUNCES NEW CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER CEO BRINGS BROAD EXPERIENCE TO VICTORIA HARBOUR

**Victoria, British Columbia:** Greater Victoria Harbour Authority (GVHA) is pleased to announce the appointment of Curtis Grad as Chief Executive Officer. Grad has a long history in airport authority leadership. He's managed and led airports in Nanaimo and Abbotsford, British Columbia, and internationally, most recently, Amman, Jordan. His work in airports provides him with critical skills for port management and planning from his experience with transportation logistics, project management and infrastructure renewal and expansion.

"GVHA's Board of Directors is pleased to welcome Curtis Grad," said Dermot Loughnane, Acting Chair. "Curtis brings a long track record of successful leadership in strategic planning, market development and operations management."



***Curtis Grad***

Grad has also been involved in the B.C. tourism industry, including service as an executive board member of the Vancouver Coast and Mountains Tourism Association. He has worked extensively with stakeholders and communities.

"I am thrilled to be joining the GVHA management team," stated Grad. "I look forward to working with the Board and the community to preserve the character of Victoria Harbour as a living and dynamic working harbour, marine transportation hub and accessible community asset."

Grad starts his new role on June 6, 2011.