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LAST CRUISE SHIP OF 2011

OOSTERDAM CALL WRAPS A SUCCESSFUL SEASON

Victoria, British Columbia: Holland America Line's Oosterdam called at Ogden Point at 8 a.m. on Wednesday, October 5, 2011. Its 3 p.m. departure will mark the end of another successful season at Canada's busiest cruise port-of-call.

During the 2011 cruise season, Ogden Point was visited by more than 435,000 passengers. The terminal saw a total of 206 ship calls at the deep-sea terminal, with 5 additional calls cancelled due to adverse weather. The season's highlights included the arrival of the 4 millionth passenger on August 18 and the first ever visit of a Disney cruise ship to a British Columbia port.

"Cruise ship visits remain a powerful driver in the regional economy," said Curtis Grad, Chief Executive Officer of Greater Victoria Harbour Authority, "providing a significant boost to local tourism, as well as ship support services, including longshoremen, stevedore, recycling and security services at Ogden Point and ship maintenance at the Esquimalt Graving Dock."

Greater Victoria Harbour Authority (GVHA) is a not-for-profit corporation governed by a local Board of Directors. It owns and operates deep water, marina and upland holdings throughout Victoria's harbour including the large vessel Ogden Point port facility, Victoria's renowned Fisherman's Wharf, and the inner harbour's luxury yacht and marine tourism facility at Ship Point. GVHA's vision is a harbour where people live, learn, work and play; a spectacular gateway into Victoria's past and into its future, monumental in look and feel, linking communities and all people together.

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