

# NEWS RELEASE

## More Than 50 Companies Attend Seaspan's Ottawa Industry Day

### *Firms Learn How to Participate on Seaspan's NSS Projects*

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Ottawa, ON – More than 50 companies attended Seaspan Shipyards' Industry Day hosted in Ottawa today. Attendees received an update on Seaspan's progress on its National Shipbuilding Strategy (NSS) Non-Combat package of vessels and associated supply chain opportunities.

"Today's Industry Day in Ottawa is a strong reminder of the progress Seaspan is making under the National Shipbuilding Strategy (NSS) and our steadfast commitment to attracting experienced and innovative marine industrial companies to join our expanding supply chain," said **Ian Brennan** - Vice President, New Construction, Supply Chain Management & Contracts – Vancouver Shipyards.

"Today's event, along with Seaspan's annual Industry Day in Halifax in September, provides an important opportunity for us to meet and engage with current and prospective suppliers to describe our growing needs and explain in greater detail the role they can play as a member of our team to ensure we are delivering the best possible vessels to the Government of Canada."

Over the first 10 years of the National Shipbuilding Strategy, Seaspan's Vancouver Shipyards is projected to spend over \$1.3 billion with Canadian suppliers. In addition, it is estimated that Seaspan's NSS work will create an annual average of more than 2300 direct, indirect and induced jobs and produce almost \$290 million per year in GDP for Canada's economy. It will mean that thousands of Canadians from all walks of life will get the opportunity to participate in the National Shipbuilding Strategy from communities across the country.

Business opportunities will continue to grow as Seaspan progresses its work, hand-in-hand, with the Canadian Coast Guard on the Offshore Oceanographic Science Vessel and Royal Canadian Navy's Joint Support Ships through the pre-production engineering and design phases, and the procurement of equipment and materials for these programs. Over 181 Canadian suppliers are part of our team for the Offshore Fisheries Science Vessel program where all three vessels are under construction.

In October 2011, after an open and competitive procurement process, the Government of Canada awarded Seaspan's Vancouver Shipyards the right to build Canada's Non-Combat vessels for the Canadian Coast Guard and Royal Canadian Navy.

Seaspan's Non-Combat Vessel inventory includes:

- Three Offshore Fisheries Science Vessels (OFSVs)
- One Offshore Oceanographic Science Vessel (OOSV)
- Two Joint Support Ships (JSS)
- One Polar Icebreaker (PIB)
- Up to five Medium Endurance Multi-tasked Vessels (MEMTVs); and



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- Up to five Offshore Patrol Vessels (OPVs)

#### **About Seaspan**

Seaspan ULC is a group of Canadian companies (together referred to as “Seaspan”) primarily involved in coastal marine and deep-sea transportation, bunker fuelling, ship repair and shipbuilding services on the West Coast of North America. Seaspan Shipyards, an affiliate of Seaspan ULC, is comprised of Vancouver Shipyards, Victoria Shipyards and Vancouver Drydock. In addition to marine transportation services offered directly through Seaspan’s marine division, commercial ferry, shipyard and bunkering services are provided through subsidiaries including: Marine Petrobulk Limited Partnership, Seaspan Ferries Corporation, Vancouver Shipyards Company Ltd., Victoria Shipyards Company Ltd. and Vancouver Drydock Company Ltd.

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