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### **Port Commission Briefed on Construction Updates for the International Terminal Renovation Project**

NEWPORT – The Port Commission was briefed on the progress of the International Terminal Renovation project at its monthly meeting Tuesday, April 26, 2011.

Project manager Frank Berg of DAY CPM Services advised the Commission that both clean and contaminated materials are being removed from SS Pasley and SS Hennebique by Natt McDougall Company (NMC). Berg said that a DEQ representative had visited the project site on April 7, 2011 and stated that he was impressed with the operation underway.

Of the progress made this month, Berg said NMC is continuing to remediate the Pasley and Hennebique and this week have started hauling the contaminated material to the Coffin Butte landfill facility. No contaminated material will be left on Port property. The water treatment system is continuing to clean all contaminants from the water being removed from the holds of the ships and the water is being tested regularly prior to discharge into the bay. Test results indicate the discharged water is cleaner than the bay water. Although NMC is encountering more contamination and asbestos than they hoped would be found, they are continuing to make good progress and are holding to their schedule for the cleanup of these vessels.

Referring to the project schedule, Berg noted that NMC has issued a schedule for the cleanup of the ships, and expects to have an overall schedule for the project with the issuance of the next contract amendment. That amendment will include the complete removal of the Pasley. He pointed out that with another month of remediation and the development of the remaining contract amendments for Phase 1, the final project costs can be established. Therefore, the first week in June would be the time to finally establish the total scope of Phase 2.

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Berg then provided an update on the project budget. To date, NMC's contract totals \$10,349,099 in Contract Amendments. The remaining Phase I budget for construction is \$9,349,880.

For more information about the project, contact General Manager Don Mann at the Port of Newport, 541-265-7758, or visit the Port's Web site at [www.portofnewport.com](http://www.portofnewport.com). Comments can be submitted at anytime by emailing [terminalproject@portofnewport.com](mailto:terminalproject@portofnewport.com).

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