

# PACIFIC PILOTAGE AUTHORITY

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## NOTICE TO INDUSTRY

**Date Issued:** 23 December 2013

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**Subject:** Guideline for Use of Docking Tugs at Maher Terminal, Prince Rupert

**Geographic Area:** Prince Rupert, BC

**Details:** There have been a number of near miss incidents over the past year where container cranes were placed in danger due to the vessel taking a sheer as it approached the dock. With the addition of the fourth crane, a vessel taking a sudden sheer has a higher chance of making contact with a crane.

### Guideline:

#### Arrivals

LOA	Current	Wind	Tugs
280m	0 – 1.5 kts flood	0 – 20 kts Over 20 kts	1 tractor / 1 800 HP 2 tractors
300m	any current and wind conditions		2 tractors
330m	any current and wind conditions		2 tractors

#### Departures

LOA	Current	Wind	Tugs
280m	0 – 1 kts flood	0 – 20 kts 20.01 – 29.99 kts Over 30 kts	1 tractor / bow thruster 1 tractor / 1 1800 HP 2 tractors
300m	0 – 1 kts flood	0 – 20 kts 20.01 – 29.99 kts Over 30 kts	1 tractor / bow thruster 1 tractor / 1 1800 HP 2 tractors
330m	0 – 1 kts flood	0 – 20 kts 20.01 – 29.99 kts Over 30 kts	1 tractor / bow thruster 1 tractor / 1 1800 HP 2 tractors

**Notes:**

- (1) The tug requirements will be reviewed on an ongoing basis at the Tug Forum meeting held annually by the PPA.
- (2) In all cases, pilot discretion will apply.

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