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Pacific Customs Brokers sets up shop at Abbotsford International Airport

Abbotsford, April 7, 2008 – Abbotsford International Airport is one step closer to becoming a key player in the freight forwarding and logistics industry. Effective June 1, 2008, a local custom brokerage company, Pacific Customs Brokers (PCB) and its affiliate company, Pacific Overseas Forwarding will be joining the YXX team to provide on-site cargo shipment clearing and freight forwarding services to the Fraser Valley and region.

"This is clearly a win-win for both Abbotsford Airport, and for Pacific Customs Brokers," says Abbotsford Airport Authority Chair Dave Kandal. "When YXX was approved by Transport Canada for the International Air Cargo Trans-shipment Program, the next step was to have on-site freight forwarding services. PCB and Pacific Overseas Forwarding are a great fit for YXX, and I know that they will enjoy being a part of our growing airport."

"Pacific Customs Brokers and Pacific Overseas Forwarding are thrilled and enthusiastic to expand our presence in the Fraser Valley," says Glen Todd, Chief Executive Officer of the Pacific Group of Companies. "We believe that the Abbotsford Airport will soon be an international freight hub, as business continues to move and expand into the Fraser Valley. We will work in cooperation with the Abbotsford airport staff to increase cargo opportunities."

"We've had our sights set on Abbotsford for several years," says Greg Timm, General Manager of Pacific Customs Brokers. "Abbotsford Airport is an ideal location and creates a great opportunity for us to develop a freight hub in the Fraser Valley, with the vision of having future scheduled and chartered aircraft. We look forward to the opportunity and growing our business at YXX."

Timm adds that Pacific Customs Brokers is proud of their strong roots in the Fraser Valley and are excited to celebrate their 50th year in business. PCB was one of the first customs brokerage firms at YVR, and they clear more shipments in Western Canada than any other Canadian Customs Broker. Pacific Overseas Freight Forwarding provides freight forwarding services as well as door-to-door service to the U.S.A., Europe and Asia.

Pacific Customs Brokers will be located in a 5,000 square foot facility at the Abbotsford Airport and will also operate a kiosk in the terminal building. PCB will begin operations on June 1.

Abbotsford International Airport is the Fraser Valley's regional airport and serves over 500,000 passengers annually from Surrey to Hope. Conveniently located off the trans-Canada highway, Abbotsford International offers daily service to Edmonton, Calgary, Toronto and Vancouver Island as well as a seasonal weekly charter service to Mexico. With close, affordable parking, on-site wi-fi service, and self-serve check in kiosks, Abbotsford is the preferred choice for travelers wanting a friendly, easy and stress-free travel experience.

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