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Challenger Motor Freight opens new terminal in BC

Tremendous growth encourages major truck carrier to expand operations and services

April 23, 2009 – ALDERGROVE, BRITISH COLUMBIA – Challenger Motor Freight is pleased to announce the opening of its new 10-acre terminal, drivers amenities centre and offices – more than doubling its previous space – for future expansion in the region.

“Challenger’s BC operation has seen double-digit growth each of the past four years,” said Brian Jones, Regional Manager for Challenger. “We began operations in the west 14 years ago primarily as a service to one of Canada’s largest couriers. It’s now home to more than 100 BC drivers and inside staff, and we’re still growing.” The new terminal brings truck maintenance, service, and refuelling in house, and complies with the USA’s C-TPAT, counter-terrorism security regulations, for yard safety. The move takes place at a time when many other trucking companies are downsizing or joining forces with larger companies.

As one of Canada’s largest east-west carriers, Challenger is developing further regional business to BC, Alberta, Washington, and Oregon through their western operation with an extensive fleet of tandem, tridem, and quad axle trailers.

"We've become a major player in Western Canada's triaxle and the US quadaxle business, quadrupling our volumes within the Pacific Northwest and Alberta/BC in the last 2 years, and we'll be exploring new opportunities in drayage, warehousing, air and ocean services through our Logistics Division," Jones says. "The opportunities for growth are significant, and we are positioned and prepared to supply these services to our customers."

A date for Challenger's Aldergrove open house is expected soon.

Challenger Motor Freight's western operations are located in Aldergrove, BC, and employ more than 100 drivers and administrative staff. Headquartered in Cambridge, Ontario, Challenger employs in excess of 2,300 people across the country and operates 1,500 trucks and 3,300 trailers. It is the largest privately owned truckload carrier in Canada and the fifth largest trucking company in the country. Challenger has been recognized repeatedly by its customers and the industry for outstanding service. In December 2008, they were given the honour of being one of Canada's 50 Best Managed Companies for the eighth consecutive year. Challenger also has terminals in Montreal and Toronto, and additionally operates Elgin Motor Freight, Cam Hiltz Trucking, Lodwick Transport, and MCX as unique separate entities.

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