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Work Stoppage Ongoing at Port of Montreal's Viau and Maisonneuve Terminals

In line with the strike notice filed by the Longshoremen's Union – CUPE Local 375, a partial strike affecting the Viau and Maisonneuve terminals began on Monday, September 30, at 7:00 am, and will continue until Thursday, October 3, at 6:59 am.

As a result, those two Termont-operated terminals are currently closed. Access to the terminals is prohibited, and no rail, ship or truck services are provided.

All other Port of Montreal terminals remain in service.

The Montreal Port Authority continues to hope that the parties will reach an agreement as soon as possible, since any delay not only entails costs for companies using port services, but also puts \$90.7 million in economic activity at risk for each day of interruption.

Read more and find updates on the [Montreal Port Authority labour negotiations webpage](#).

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Cargo Entry

The requisite entry documentation may be submitted before the cargo arrives within the port limits of an intended port of entry. Parties submitting entry documentation without an entry summary may request a time of entry as described in Section 141.68(a)(2)-(3) of CBP Regulations; otherwise, the time of entry will be the time that the appropriate CBP officer authorizes the release of the merchandise or any part of the merchandise covered by the entry documentation.

All cargo unladen from vessels arriving at impacted ports remains subject to the requirement of being entered "within 15 calendar days after landing from a vessel, aircraft or vehicle, or after arrival at the port of destination in the case of merchandise transported in bond." 19 C.F.R. § 141.5. Therefore, imported merchandise should not remain at the wharf, pier, or other place of unloading, for more than 15 calendar days after its landing; or, if transferred from the arriving carrier to any party under a CBP-authorized permit to transfer or in-bond entry, the merchandise should not remain in the custody of that party more than 15 calendar days after its receipt under a CBP-authorized permit to transfer or more than 15 calendar days after its arrival at the port of destination.

Parties making entry must ensure that they update ACE to reflect a change in the port of entry as may be necessary.

Find more information in [Cargo Systems Message # 62464633](#).

Mid-Term GHG Reduction Measures on the Agenda at IMO's Marine Environment Protection Committee Meeting

The International Maritime Organization's (IMO) Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC) has convened its 82nd session from September 30 to October 4, at IMO Headquarters in London. This crucial meeting will address a range of pressing environmental issues affecting the global shipping industry.

Key topics on the agenda include proposed mid-term measures for reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from ships, enhancing energy efficiency, managing ballast water, and mitigating underwater noise pollution. The committee will also discuss measures to tackle marine litter and designate new Emission Control Areas.

Read more in an [article from gCaptain](#).