

Yellowline Asphalt Products Ltd. lauded for environmental leadership

Yellowline directs \$5,000 donation from annual Port of Hamilton environment award to Hamilton Conservation Foundation

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Hamilton, ON - Hamilton Port Authority (HPA) is pleased to announce the winner of its annual Environmental Excellence Award: **Yellowline Asphalt Products Ltd**.

The annual award recognizes a port partner's contribution to respecting and protecting the natural environment.

Yellowline was selected for the award because it has demonstrated a high level of commitment and continuous improvement in environmental protection.

A relatively new tenant at the Port of Hamilton, Yellowline's facility on Pier 22 was designed in 2011-2012 with the environment in mind. The facility includes sophisticated dust control and recycling systems, and a unique safety feature avoids possible overflows: tanker trucks drive onto the scale to be weighed, after which a pre-set amount of asphalt cement is loaded into the truck. Recently, temperature probes were installed in the roof of the asphalt tanks. If the probe becomes immersed in hot asphalt, it will trigger an emergency alarm and stop all of the pumps.

Yellowline is one of several port tenants to become members in the Green Marine environmental program. The Company achieved a Level 3 or higher score in the areas of spill prevention, community impact and environmental leadership. The company is also a participant in the Port of Hamilton's annual *Team Up to Clean Up* community event.

"At Yellowline, we consider our environmental program a key component of our business along with safety, quality and efficient production methods," said Suresh Daljeet, Operations Manager. "As our company continues to grow, our commitment to the environment will grow as well. Our team is dedicated to keeping Yellowline an environmentally friendly part of the Hamilton community. It's a belief and a commitment we make to our customers, our staff and our city."

"Responsible stewardship of Hamilton's working waterfront is a job we take very seriously," said HPA President & CEO Bruce Wood. "We encourage a high level of environmental performance on the part of our tenants. We embed rigorous environmental standards right into our contracts, and then work

together to foster a proactive approach to protecting air, land and water. Yellowline is a superb example of a company that is showing leadership."

Each year, the winner of HPA's Environmental Excellence Award is invited to select a local Hamilton-area environmental organization to receive a \$5,000 donation. Yellowline has selected the **Hamilton Conservation Foundation**, where the funds will be put to good use in the protection of Hamilton's watershed, including environmental education and conservation land acquisition initiatives.

Green Marine is a voluntary marine industry program that seeks to reduce the environmental impacts of maritime transportation activities by improving the environmental performance of its participating members <u>beyond</u> regulatory compliance. Green Marine has more than 80 participating members throughout Canada and the US.

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The Port of Hamilton is the largest Canadian port on the Great Lakes in terms of both size and cargo handled.

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