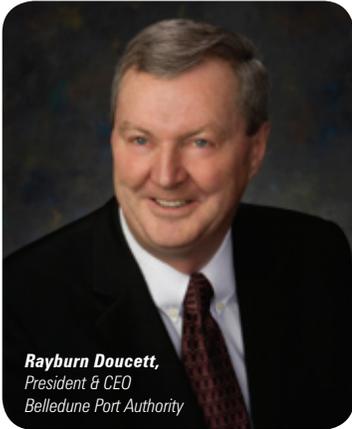




MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT & CEO



Rayburn Doucett,
President & CEO
Belledune Port Authority

With the Infrastructure Stimulus Projects approximately 50% complete, yet another major project is underway as the Belledune Port Authority (BPA) continues its partnership with all levels of government as it establishes more opportunities with the announcement of a modular fabrication and component construction centre in Belledune.

This not only complements the new infrastructure at the Port but also provides a platform for northern New Brunswick companies to bid on large projects that would provide high levels of employment of skilled and non-skilled workers in the area.

I congratulate our team, our Board of Directors and our partners as they continue to make every effort and rise to new challenges to reach new goals as *Belledune... Unlimited!*

WIND IN THE SAILS OF LAMÈQUE GREEN ENERGY PROJECT

In early August, Acciona Energy, a global clean-tech operator with more than 20 years experience in some 14 countries announced that it would move ahead with a 45 megawatt Lamèque wind farm.

The approximate \$115 million project will consist of 30 wind turbines set over some 1255 hectares of land. Sixty-eight land-owners signed lease agreements helping make the project a reality. The project, initiated locally by the La Coopérative d'Énergie Renouvelable de Lamèque, has a 25-year power purchase agreement with NB Power ensuring the success and longevity of the wind farm.

Wind turbine components will arrive by vessel at the Port of Belledune and be trucked to the Lamèque wind farm site.



MODULAR FABRICATION COMING TO BELLEDUNE

The Port of Belledune has made it a goal to find opportunities that will benefit the Port and the local economy.

On August 21 the goal was once more met. The Port and the Province of New Brunswick announced that a modular fabrication and component construction centre will be built on lands close to the Port. The Northern New Brunswick Infrastructure Initiative will contribute \$7 million toward the \$13.2 million dollar project. Part of the price tag is for the purchase of an 8,100 square-metre facility.

The project will create jobs and make use of lands and infrastructure on and adjacent to the port. "The Port of Belledune Board of Directors unanimously support this project as it not only compliments the new infrastructure at the port but also provides a platform for northern New Brunswick companies to bid on large projects that would provide high levels of employment of skilled and non-skilled workers in the area," says Port President and CEO, Rayburn Doucett.

The facility will feature 28 welding stations will full ventilation, two 20 tonne overhead bridge cranes for moving large modules, and wide aircraft sliding doors that will allow large modules to be moved from the site.

Anchored in our Community



PORT FUN DAY REMINDS PEOPLE THAT FAMILY COMES FIRST

The Family Fun Day sponsored by the Port at Atlas Park in Pointe-Verte celebrated family spirit with food and activities for people of all ages. In three hours, BPA staff served more than 600 free hotdogs while people enjoyed the magic, music, and balloon animals of Don Bernard. Special guest Bang Bang of the Acadie-Bathurst Titian assisted in handing Frisbees to children.

"The families in the region are the reason why we work tirelessly for economic and port growth," says Jenna Doucet, BPA Director of Marketing. "Families are the most important people in our lives." The event is part of the Port's 10th anniversary celebrations.



CHALEUR VOLLEYBALL CLUB SETTING FOR SEASON

Since its inception six years ago, the Chaleur Volleyball Club has helped about 450 girls develop their skills. The club allows them to gain experience and hone skills outside high school league play which begins in January.

"In terms of teams, we have had some provincial titles," Mike Roy, coach and club president. "But one of our more significant achievements is putting girls on university squads." Currently, about 15 girls play at post-secondary levels. Plans are in place for an under 16 boys team.

Teams often make trips to tournaments outside region in order to ensure optimal opportunity for development. Registration is between \$200-250 but does not cover all cost. Private sector donations help local girls participate by covering other costs such as bus rentals which can run upwards of \$1,100 a day. The Port of Belledune contributed \$500 to the Club.

RALLY FOR RELAY REALLY REMARKABLE



This year when the Village of Belledune participated in the Canadian Cancer Society's Relay for Life organizers hoped that the 12-hour event would generate \$20,000 for cancer research. It was an ambitious goal and would be a first for the community. Imagine the surprise when they overshot the mark raising \$33,000!

Between 80-100 people participated on about 10 teams while hundreds of community members and area organizations rallied behind them, donating, participating, and coming out to show their support. "There was a nice hot supper prepared for the about 52 survivors," says Flo Guitard, event chairperson. "This was the first time for the Village of Belledune and the people who came together were really amazing.

We all worked together as a team." The event ran from 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. as part of a Canada-wide initiative generating money for cancer research. The Port of Belledune team alone raised approximately \$8,500!

