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August Tonnage Up, Annual Tonnage Lagging

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(Green Bay, WI) – Tonnage for the <u>Port of Green Bay</u> increased by 36,000 metric tons in August compared to last year, but overall tonnage remains down about 10 percent for 2015.

"One cause for the decrease in tonnage may be the timing of delivery of expected tons over the shipping season," said Dean Haen, director of Brown County Port and Resource Recovery. "One commodity bright spot was a 90 percent increase in cement, which reflects the strong regional economy and associated construction activity."

With more than three months remaining in the shipping season, Haen hopes that tonnage will reach 2014 levels, which were the highest since 2007.

The Port is experiencing less ship traffic due to high water levels as well. "Right now we have higher water levels, which means ships can carry significantly more raw material per transit," Haen said. "When more cargo is being carried on a ship the environmental footprint is reduced through less fuel consumption and emissions. It's a good example of how waterborne shipping is a more sustainable option to transport goods and raw materials when compared to other transportation methods."

The Port of Green Bay has 14 active terminal operators involved in shipping commodities including:

- ACE Marine, LLC
- C. Reiss Coal Company
- Construction Resources Management
- Flint Hills Resources
- Fox River Dock Company
- Georgia-Pacific Corporation
- Graymont
- GLC Minerals, LLC

- KK Integrated Logistics, Inc.
- Lafarge North America
- RGL
- Sanimax
- St. Mary's Cement Company
- US Venture

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