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HRM announces official opening of Atlantic Gateway Logistics Park

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Halifax Regional Municipality has created the **Atlantic Gateway–Halifax Logistics Park**, a two-phased logistics park located within **Burnside Industrial Park**. Focusing exclusively on the logistics industry, the Atlantic Gateway–Halifax Logistics Park offers companies an ideal location to conduct transloading, distribution and warehousing activities.

The first phase of the park officially opened today and has already attracted two large anchor developments—**Consolidated Fastfrate** and **Armour Transportation Systems**—both of which are engaged in transloading, distribution and warehousing activities. New lots of serviced acreage are available.

"We can add the Atlantic Gateway–Halifax Logistics Park to our ideal location, our deep ice-free harbour, our post-Panamax capacity and our competitive labour rates as yet another advantage we can offer as the premier east coast gateway," said **Mayor Peter Kelly**. "This Park is a key investment for HRM, as a strong logistics industry will contribute to the overall business case of the Halifax Gateway, and the Gateway represents economic and growth opportunities for our entire region."

"The services we are offering importers, exporters and shipping lines around the world is second to none," said **Wesley Armour, President and CEO** of one of the current tenants, Armour Transportation Systems. "Our facility in the Halifax Logistics Park will offer customers a total solution under one roof and means we are a cost-effective, reliable part of the North American supply chain."

The Armour Facility will offer over 100,000 sq. ft. of logistics space featuring 22 loading doors and a cross-dock facility with 60 doors on 25 acres of land. A potential second phase could offer an additional 90,000 sq. ft. of warehousing space.

The park sits at the heart of Canada's Atlantic Gateway. The first phase of the logistics park will provide the potential for over 125 acres within Phase 12 of Burnside and future expansion capabilities in Phase 13 Burnside.

"Transload facilities play an increasingly important role in attracting containerized cargo. Armour's new facility will further enhance the value-added offerings at the Port of Halifax" said **Karen Oldfield, President & CEO, Halifax Port Authority**.

The chair of the **Halifax Gateway Council, Stephen Dempsey**, says the logistics park is an invaluable addition to one of the world's great port cities.

"Getting goods to and from the biggest markets in North America – places like **Memphis** and **Chicago** – is even more reliable and cost-effective with the addition of the Atlantic Gateway – Halifax Logistics Park on Canada's East Coast," said Mr. Dempsey.

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