

Message from the President.

Its time to update you all on some Paltainer News!

After 30 years of being together my immediate business partner Eric Juhola has decided its time to retire!

Me - well I'm still a young guy -at heart anyway and I'm staying around!

So we have had some big changes at the Paltainer (Group) of Companies.

On the 31st August 2005 my Partner resigned from the Companies and at the same time we sold the companies!

Who to you might ask? To be honest we are very proud of what we have accomplished over the past 20 years since Paltainer was opened in 1985 and we have staff that have been with us since day one or before. So we did not want to sell to a Multi National or another Forwarder as we wanted to keep our identity!

For this reason we looked around for a buyer that would not want to change anything that Paltainer had accomplished and someone that would want to work and grow together with us.. This partner we found in a Company called **Manitoulin Transport**. Check them out at www.manitoulintransport.com

Our new owners will leave us to do what we think is best for Paltainer - this has already started with the opening of **Paltainer in Calgary Alberta!**

We would like to welcome **Mr Alan Horabin** to our team as Regional Manager, Western Canada based in Calgary
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Alan comes to us with an Extensive airline and freight forwarding background covering all aspects from sales, operations to administration.

His early times were with Air Canada in the United Kingdom and then on to Halifax Nova Scotia where he decided to enter the world of Freight Forwarding. Getting recognized very quickly working for Kintetsu he was asked to move to Calgary by A.E.I. to establish their office for Western Canada and for the last five years he has been District Manager for DHL Danzas for Alberta...lets welcome Alan to the Paltainer Team !

What about the Paltainer (Group) of Companies!

Eric has retired but also Sherrie Boyle our Import Ocean Manager for Europe has also retired on the 7th October after being with us for 21 years! Yes Sherrie was with us a year before we started Paltainer ! We would like to wish her all the best in her retirement but also at the same time we would like to welcome **Kam Joll** as our new Import Ocean Manager for Europe.

Although we have still the Group of companies being Paltainer Forwarders Ltd, Paltainer(Export) Ltd, Paltainer (Far-East) Ltd and Paltainer(Quebec) Ltd we basically are all one big happy family – under the umbrella of myself Bob Rose being President and Bob Erent

and Peter Law being Vice Presidents.

It is our intention to grow even larger with expansion not only in Calgary Alberta but also in Quebec where we hope to establish ourselves as a growing concern once again in the Montréal, Quebec Market.

Here's to a great future for the New Paltainer.