arm of its operations provides rapid parcel-delivery service in major Canadian cities.

CN Telecommunications

CN works jointly with Canadian Pacific Limited to provide nationwide telecommunications services. The vast CN-CP Telecommunications network is one of the world's largest, linking every corner of the country with millions of circuit miles of communications facilities.

In addition, the CN-CP Telecommunications microwave system, a super-high-frequency radio-beam network, continuously flashes complex business data, pictures, messages and voice calls back and forth across the country at the speed of light.

Business-communications services include Telex, Data Telex, broadband exchange service, private wire services, Tel-Tex, telemetering for supervisory control of remote operations, a facsimile service, a computer message and data-switching service, and telegram and cablegram services.

CN Telecommunications provides local and long-distance telephone services, as well as the other communications services in Newfoundland, the Yukon, the Northwest Territories and northern British Columbia.

CN Marine

East Coast ferry and coastal services for the federal Ministry of Transport, linking New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, the State of Maine and Newfoundland, are operated by CN Marine. The 37 ships in service — one of the largest fleets in Canada — carry some two million passengers, 1.4 million tons of freight, 140,000 trucks and tractors and 600,000 automobiles annually.

CN Passenger Services

Although the general economic slowdown has contributed to a decline in rail-passenger traffic, the number of passengers carried remains relatively high, illustrating the fact that the railway continues to be an important passenger-transport mode in Canada.