EXAMPLE OF AN INTERMODAL MOVE

The following is an example of a possible move that a sea container might make from any central point in Canada.

START

- Loaded container lifted from ground onto trailer in shipper's yard. (move and placement)
- 2. Trailer from shipper's door to railhead. (10-20 miles, 15-30 km)
- 3. Lift from trailer to ground in rail yard by straddle carrier, or top pick, (storage and move).
- 4. Lift from ground by straddle carrier, or top pick onto rail car. (move and placement)
- 5. Rail move to port. (500 to 1,500 miles, 800 2,400 km)
- 6. Lift from rail car and move by straddle carrier, or top pick to place of rest on the quay. (storage, move and placement)
- 7. Straddle carrier move from place of rest to crane to be lifted onto the ocean vessel. (move, lift and placement)
- 8. Ocean voyage 9 to 14 days. (distance 3,500 to 6,000 miles, 5,600 9,600 km)
- 9. Lift by crane from ship to ground transfer to forklift truck and move to first place of rest in storage on quay. (lift, move, plus placement)
- 10. Lift by top pick, or forklift truck onto trailer for move to rail yard or a direct move onto rail car. (lift, move, and either local road trip or rail.)
- 11. In some ports the lift from the vessel may be direct onto a barge alongside for a move inland. (100 to 500 miles, 160 800 km)
- 12. Final lift and placement into the receiver's yard. (lift and grounding)