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MV MILL BAY NOW FOR SALE Vessel surplus to the fleet

VICTORIA – With the upcoming retirement of the MV Mill Bay in May 2011, BC Ferries announced today that the 55-year old ship is for sale.

The Mill Bay is certified by Transport Canada for sheltered water voyages and is currently providing service on BC Ferries' Brentwood Bay – Mill Bay route. The Mill Bay will be retired from the BC Ferries' fleet at the beginning of May.

“The Mill Bay has served our passengers well for over five decades, and while we are bringing in a newer, slightly larger vessel to service the Brentwood Bay – Mill Bay route, we want to recognize the valuable contribution this ship has given to our fleet,” said Mike Corrigan, BC Ferries' EVP and Chief Operating Officer.

After a temporary route closure from May 2 – 31 to upgrade the terminal infrastructure on both sides of the route, BC Ferries' MV Klitsa will service the Brentwood Bay – Mill Bay route starting June 1.

BC Ferries is seeking expressions of interest from prospective buyers for the Mill Bay. Market demand will dictate the price. Prospective buyers should contact BC Ferries at shipsforsale@bcferries.com.

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MV Mill Bay

Built 1956, Victoria, B.C.; Dimensions Overall; 122'-0" x 34'-4" x 10'-3"
(37.19m x 10.46m x 3.12m); Deadweight approximately 50 tons;
Car Capacity - 16; Passenger and Crew Capacity – 138; Maximum Speed – 8 knots;
Propulsion – Gardner 8L3 / 152 bhp (113 kW)