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**ISLAND SKY OFFICIALLY STARTS SERVICE TOMORROW
BC Ferries brand new ship to officially begin operation on Northern Sunshine Coast route**

VICTORIA – BC Ferries’ newest vessel, Island Sky, will officially commence service on Thursday, February 19, at 5:35 a.m. on the Earls Cove – Saltery Bay route.

The Island Sky, which accommodates 450 passengers and 125 vehicles, is equipped with the latest in marine safety, fire fighting and lifesaving equipment.

Passenger amenities on the Island Sky include: a Coastal Cafe Express; comfortable lounge seating with panoramic views; spacious outdoor seating on an open sundeck; and an elevator.

BC Ferries looks forward to welcoming our customers on board the new Island Sky.

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MV Island Sky in dock at BC Ferries' Saltery Bay terminal