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Ryan Vending Starts Year on Carbon Neutral Footing

STEVESTON – BC's largest independently owned vending company will be carbon neutral as of January 2010, announced Ryan Vending general manager Glen Jackson.

[draft quote] “The purchase of carbon offsets from Pacific Carbon Trust is a crucial step for us as we strive towards greater corporate social responsibility,” said Ryan Vending general manager Glen Jackson. “We recognize that the purchase of offsets is one step in the process, and look forward to further reducing our carbon footprint.”

Ryan Vending worked with BC-based carbon management companies Small Feet Consulting and Climate Smart to measure and reduce its carbon footprint. Reduction projects included the purchase of hybrid management vehicles, an intensive recycling program, route efficiency technology and a more fuel efficient fleet of trucks. Once maximum reductions had been obtained, Ryan Vending purchased greenhouse gas offsets from Pacific Carbon trust to achieve carbon neutral designation.

[Minister Yap quote]

[draft quote] “We’re seeing more and more businesses stepping up to the challenge of the incorporating the triple bottom line into their everyday work,” said Pacific Carbon Trust CEO Scott MacDonald. “We’re here to help organizations like Ryan Vending with that process.”

PCT offsets purchased support 15 BC-based green technology projects, including implementation of hybrid heating systems, fuel switching and other energy efficiency projects.

About Ryan Vending

Ryan Vending is a BC owned and operated vending service company that operates in Vancouver, Kelowna and Vancouver Island. Ryan Vending has several divisions and is the largest independently owned vending company in Western Canada, with a fleet of over 40 vehicles, 2,000 vending units and more than 60 employees. Ryan Vending’s “Socially Responsible Vending” initiative was launched five years ago.

About Pacific Carbon Trust (PCT)

Pacific Carbon Trust (PCT) is a Crown corporation established in 2008 to deliver high quality BC-based greenhouse gas offsets, to help clients meet their carbon reduction goals and to drive the growth of BC's low-carbon economy. For more information, visit www.pacificcarbontrust.ca.

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