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### **EVERGREEN LINE COMPETITIVE PROCESS OPENS**

VICTORIA – The Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure has issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to identify private partners capable of designing, building, and financing the new Evergreen Line rapid transit project.

The RFQ closes Sept. 7, 2010. The ministry will select up to three respondent teams to participate in the next phase of the competitive selection process, the Request for Proposal stage.

The Evergreen Line is a new rapid transit line that will connect Coquitlam to Vancouver via Port Moody and Burnaby. It will be a fast, frequent and convenient SkyTrain service, connecting Coquitlam City Centre through Port Moody to Lougheed Town Centre in approximately 13 minutes. It will connect without transfer to the current SkyTrain network at Lougheed Station, and will integrate with regional bus and West Coast Express networks.

Construction is scheduled to begin in early 2011 with completion anticipated by the end of 2014. The project will create about 8,000 jobs.

The Evergreen Line is an essential element of the Provincial Transit Plan and the federal Building Canada Plan. The Evergreen Line will provide a new and competitive transportation choice, serving Metro Vancouver's northeast sector with the capacity needed to meet future growth demands.

For information about the RFQ, please visit: [www.bcbid.gov.bc.ca](http://www.bcbid.gov.bc.ca), [www.evergreenline.gov.bc.ca](http://www.evergreenline.gov.bc.ca), or [www.partnershipsbc.ca](http://www.partnershipsbc.ca).

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