

Port of Palm Beach District

www.portofpalmbeach.com

BBC Chartering Delivers Utility Poles to Peru

Press Release
March 29, 2010
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CONTACT: Jarra Kaczwarra
PHONE: 561-383-4134
E-Mail: kaczwara@portofpalmbeach.com

RIVIERA BEACH, FL –BBC Andino Express Line began a monthly service from the Port of Palm Beach to north and west coasts of Columbia, Ecuador, Peru and Chile in November 2009. Since then their shipments to South America have continued to grow. They are currently transporting several shipments of utility poles from McFarlane Forestry in Tacoma, WA to the Port of Callao in Peru.

The largest shipment so far contained over 1,500 poles made out of southern pine timber with a weight exceeding 22,000 lbs. The poles are being transported to Peru on the BBC heavylift ship the BBC Louisiana. The BBC Louisiana arrived in port on March 26 and departed on March 27. Port Contractors, Inc. served as stevedores and agents for the shipments.

The Port of Palm Beach's strategic geographic location, on-dock rail access and close proximity to the Interstate Highway System make it a choice location for trade between South Florida and the Caribbean and South America. Port Director Manuel Almira said "The BBC Andino Express Line is playing a vital role in the Port of Palm Beach's effort to expand its services beyond the Caribbean region and into Central and South America. The Port of Palm Beach is committed to doing all it can to facilitate the expansion of these commercial relationships with South America."

###

