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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

The largest concrete pour at Lyttelton Port since the early 1990's started this morning (2 October) at Cashin Quay 2 wharf. It is due to finish later today.

375 cubic metres of concrete is being poured by 75 trucks to form the first 11 metres of the new Cashin Quay 2 wharf deck at the Container Terminal. The concrete area being poured today will be one metre thick and 34 metres wide.

The formwork which contains the concrete will be removed in seven days, with the concrete taking about 28 days to fully cure.

Cashin Quay 2 wharf will be delivered in stages with the aim of completing the first 57 metre section by mid-December 2014, allowing increased berthing options.

When the rebuild of the wharf is finished in the last quarter of 2015 it will be 230 metres long and be a deeper, stronger and more resilient structure.

"Once complete, the Cashin Quay 2 wharf will provide significantly increased capacity for the Terminal and boost berth capacity," said Peter Davie LPC Chief Executive. "This rebuild is a key project for the Port and will increase operational efficiency.

"It is also an important step in expanding the Port to meet demands for future growth and enhance customer service levels."

Piling should be completed this week for the first 57 metres of the wharf, with 71 piles in this first section driven to an approximate depth of 60 metres into the harbour bed. It takes about one and half days to drive one pile into the sea bed. In total, 255 piles will be driven into the harbour bed for the new Cashin Quay 2 wharf.

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