

## CUSTOMER ADVISORY

CN and CPKC Rail Services to Resume Following Federal Order  
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The rail service for Canadian National Railway Co. (CN) and Canadian Pacific Kansas City (CPKC) is set to resume after a work stoppage that began last Thursday. This stoppage, initiated by a lockout due to an ongoing contract dispute between the companies and the Teamsters union, disrupted freight traffic across Canada and impacted commuter lines in Toronto, Montreal, and Vancouver. The work stoppage involved over 9,000 railway workers. On Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup>, the Canada Industrial Relations Board (CIRB) issued a decision ordering both companies and their workers **to resume operations by 12:01 a.m. ET on Monday, August 26<sup>th</sup>**, with the dispute heading to binding arbitration. The Teamsters Canada Rail Conference, representing the workers, has expressed opposition to the CIRB's decision and intends to appeal the ruling. Meanwhile, CPKC has lifted all embargoes related to the work stoppage.

### Key Points:

- **Federal Intervention:** The Canada Industrial Relations Board (CIRB) issued a decision on Saturday ordering both companies and their workers to resume operations by 12:01 a.m. ET on Monday.



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- **Binding Arbitration:** The dispute will proceed to binding arbitration, as mandated by the CIRB.
- **Union Response:** The Teamsters Canada Rail Conference opposed the CIRB's decision and plans to appeal the ruling in court.
- **Resumption of Services:** CPKC lifted all embargoes related to the work stoppage immediately following the CIRB's decision

KWE aims to mitigate any disruptions to client supply chains and will continue to monitor the situation as it develops. For further assistance, please contact your KWE representative.

For addition information refer to the updates below:

- [CN's Updates](#)
- [CPKC's Updates](#)
- [Federal labour board orders rail workers back on the job, imposes binding arbitration | CBC](#)
- [Canada rail unions call off strike, appeal to federal courts | Seatrade Maritime News](#)