

STATEMENT RE: OVERNIGHT FIRE ON PNE GROUNDS

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Vancouver, BC: At approximately 12:30am, Sunday, February 20, 2022, a fire broke out at a building on the PNE grounds at Hastings Park. The area, known as the Technical Works Yard, contains two buildings including office space, various trade workshops, supply, vehicle and equipment storage as well as an area where some PNE memorabilia is currently being stored. The fire was contained to the smaller of the two buildings and losses include equipment, vehicles, tools and supplies. There were no injuries.

The Pacific National Exhibition would like to thank the firefighters from Vancouver Fire Rescue Services who responded and put out the fire, it was due to their quick work that the fire was contained to only one of the buildings and significant damage and losses were prevented.

Work is now underway to determine the cause of the fire, which is not known at this time and an investigation is underway.

We are grateful that there were no injuries as a result of this incident, and the quick work of our Vancouver city fire crews prevented much larger losses. Today's incident will not impact any of the events scheduled to occur at various locations on the site.

About the PNE:

Owned by the City of Vancouver, the Pacific National Exhibition (PNE) is a healthy and vibrant non-profit organization dedicated to providing over 3 million visitors a year with first-class cultural, sporting and family entertainment events. Founded in 1910, the PNE operates from a 114-acre site at Hastings Park, a multi-facility venue in Vancouver where the organization operates four activity streams: an annual 15-day Fair, Playland Amusement Park, maintenance and care of the Hastings Park site and management of the site's year-round facilities. These facilities are utilized to celebrate a variety of hockey, amateur sporting, music, community, social, cultural and commercial events throughout the year.

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