

PRESS RELEASE

THE GREAT LAKES PILOTAGE AUTHORITY APPOINTS JASON RIMMER AS THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

CORNWALL, January 30, 2024

We are pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Jason Rimmer of Kingston, Ontario as Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Great Lakes Pilotage Authority (GLPA) effective February 01, 2024.

Jason's dedicated career in public service began as a proud graduate of the Canadian Coast Guard College. He holds a Bachelor of Nautical Sciences degree from University College in Cape Breton and is a graduate of the National Security Program from the Canadian Forces College in Toronto.



Jason's career in the Canadian Coast Guard fleet has included duties as a commander and officer on Coast Guard Cutters and Scientific Vessels within the Great Lakes. In 2015, he came ashore and continued his work within the Coast Guard developing his strategic leadership abilities as he took on increased responsibilities within the organization.

As a Marine Controller at the Joint Rescue Coordination Centre Jason coordinated and directed response to maritime search and rescue operations. As Superintendent of the Regional Operation Centre, he was responsible for planning, organizing, and coordinating the day-to-day utilization of regional vessels, aircraft, and specialized vehicles.

Jason became National Director Search and Rescue in 2020 where he was accountable for directing the development and implementation of a national SAR policy framework, strategic plans, program requirements, directives, systems, and standards for CCG, all of which are designed to support Canada's SAR needs and enhance the government's response to SAR challenges.

On behalf of the Board of the Great Lakes Pilotage Authority we are pleased to welcome our new CEO and look forward to continuing to deliver safe, reliable, and efficient marine pilotage services within the waters of the Great Lakes.

Sincerely,

Captain James Pound Interim Chief Executive Officer and Chairperson of the Board **Great Lakes Pilotage Authority**

