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Royal Caribbean Announces Lengthening, Refurbishing of *Enchantment Of The Seas* *Departing from Bayonne, Enchantment will offer itineraries of varying lengths to New England and Canada*

Bayonne, August 16, 2004 - Royal Caribbean International today announced plans to lengthen and extensively refurbish its Vision-class ship, *Enchantment of the Seas*.

A 73-foot midsection built by Kvaerner Masa-Yards will be inserted into the ship at the Keppel Verolme Shipyard in Rotterdam, increasing the vessel's overall length to 990 feet and its tonnage from 74,140 to 80,700 tons. The new midsection will add 151 staterooms, as well as a number of indoor and outdoor public areas.

The *Enchantment of the Seas* will offer itineraries of varying lengths to New England and Canada from Cape Liberty Cruise Port. She will be out of service from early May until early July 2005.

Enchantment of the Seas' transformation comes in the wake of extensive enhancements to other ships in the Royal Caribbean International fleet. *Nordic Empress* was revitalized this spring and made her debut as *Empress of the Seas* at the cruise line's new Cape Liberty Cruise Port in May. *Monarch of the Seas* underwent a similar refurbishment in early 2003. The line also has announced plans to revitalize *Sovereign of the Seas* this fall.

"The refurbishment of *Enchantment* makes tremendous sense from both an economic and a strategic standpoint. We add substantial revenue without adding commensurate costs, while significantly improving the overall guest experience," said Chairman and CEO Richard D. Fain. "We have taken what we have learned during the new-build process and applied best practices to upgrade our existing ships."

According to Bayonne Local Redevelopment Authority Executive Director Nancy A. Kist, "The *Enchantment of the Seas* will offer the residents of Bayonne even more cruising options with upgraded amenities."

The additional space and extensive renovations will accommodate new public areas onboard *Enchantment of the Seas*, including a new specialty restaurant, Royal Caribbean's hallmark Boleros Latin lounge and Latte'tudes coffee shop, where guests can enjoy Seattle's Best

Coffee® and Ben & Jerry's® ice cream. In addition, existing spaces will be extensively reconditioned. The ship's pool deck, main dining room, shopping area, casino, jogging track, fitness facility, day spa and art gallery are among several areas to be expanded and revitalized.

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