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**Petrojam Responds decisively to prevent any disruption in supply of petroleum products**

Minister of Energy and Mining James Robertson is assuring the Jamaican public that the damage to the Petrojam dock will not disrupt the supply of petroleum products to the island.

The assurance came this morning (June 3) at a press conference hosted at Petrojam where Minister Robertson along with representatives from Petrojam and the Port Authority of Jamaica outlined a number of options that are being pursued to ensure an adequate supply of petroleum products to the country.

The Ministry is in the process of acquiring floating hoses to deliver Gasoline, Jet Fuel and Automotive Diesel Oil from ship to shore. The other options include 1) Exploring the use of other companies storage and dock facilities such as Port Esquivel, 2) Importing products into Petrojam Limited Montego Bay Terminal, 3) The Completion of two pipelines to the former “Esso Kingston Terminal” which will be used for LPG and Automotive Diesel oil /heavy fuel oil and 4) Conversion of the damaged docks to a Single Point Mooring System.

In addition to the press conference media personnel were taken on a tour where they were able to view close up the damage to the dock and the ship M/T **Great News**.

On Monday June 1, 2009 at approximately 2315 hrs the ship M/T **Great News** which was transporting crude oil to the Petrojam Refinery collided into the company's dock, causing enough damage to temporarily put it out of service.