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Ministry of Justice BC Coroners Service

BC Coroners Service announces inquest into motorcyclist death

VICTORIA – The BC Coroners Service has announced an inquest into the death of a man who died when his motorcycle was impacted by logs that fell from a loaded logging truck.

Hugh Craig Roberts, aged 65, of West Vancouver, was riding his motorcycle northbound on Highway 99 on the afternoon of Oct. 19, 2013, when, near the intersection of Nordic Way in Whistler, a southbound logging truck lost its load into the northbound lanes. Mr. Roberts was fatally injured.

Presiding coroner Chico Newell and a jury will hear evidence from witnesses under oath to determine the facts surrounding this death. The jury will have the opportunity to make recommendations aimed at preventing future deaths under similar circumstances.

An inquest is a formal process that allows for public presentation of evidence relating to a death.

No date has yet been set for this inquest. An announcement will be made once a date has been finalized.

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