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Evergreen boxship smashed by falling crane in Vancouver



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Canadian investigators are on the scene looking into yet another crane collapse. Early Monday morning, the lifting boom of a crane fell onto the containership Ever Summit as the vessel came into dock at the Port of Vancouver's Global Container Terminal (GCT).

While no injuries occurred it is understood the ship was damaged in the accident. The crane fell on the containers to the aft of the accommodation block.

The Transportation Safety Board has sent a team of investigators to the port.

A statement from the safety board said the ship struck the gantry crane while berthing and both the vessel and crane sustained damage.

With quay cranes tumbling around the world in recent months insurer TT Club last November urged port operators to install laser sensor technology to avoid costly accidents.

TT Club claims analyses continue to flag quay crane issues as giving rise to the highest cost incidents for ports and terminal operators. Remarkably as of last November TT Club had handled 325 cases of crane collisions in the previous 10 years.