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The Honorable Sean Duffy, Secretary
United States Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, D.C. 20590-7202

Re: Letter of Commitment for FY25 PIDP - Terminal 18 Efficiency Project

Dear Secretary Duffy:

I am very pleased to submit this application from the Northwest Seaport Alliance (NWSA), the Public Entity Joint Venture partnership between the ports of Seattle and Tacoma, to the 2025 Port Infrastructure Development Program (PIDP). The Terminal 18 Efficiency Project will improve Terminal 18 at the Port of Seattle by addressing the most urgent areas of poor paving on the terminal and adding truck weigh-in-motion gate scales, thus making terminal operations more efficient and cost effective. The Project supports PIDP program goals of improving the safety, efficiency, and reliability of the movement of goods into, out of, around, and within the Port.

As a joint venture between the Ports of Tacoma and Seattle, the NWSA provides funds from operations to the two ports. The two ports use the funds from the NWSA operations, along with cash on hand, cash from other home port operations, and, if necessary, cash from revenue or tax secured bonds, to fund the NWSA's capital commitments. As a sign of our dedication to the success of the proposed **\$42,798,400** Terminal 18 Efficiency Project, the NWSA, through its two Joint Venture partners, commits to a cost share of **\$23,141,400** in addition to **\$328,500** pledged by SSA Terminals toward the weigh-in-motion component of the project. Together, the NWSA and SSA match represents 54% of total eligible project costs, subject to NWSA board approval.

If this project is awarded PIDP funding, the NWSA guarantees the availability of the staff and resources necessary to complete the activities described in the application. The NWSA is exceptionally well qualified to lead the proposed activities. The NWSA team is capable not only of planning such an ambitious and important project, but also of executing it in a timely, cost-effective manner. For these reasons and more, I urge you to fund the Terminal 18 Efficiency Project. If you have any questions at all, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,


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