Glen R Stockwell Washington State Economic Development NP August 13, 2019

Re: <u>NEXT GIANT STEP</u> to your Centuries Project & Bold Vision of the NW Seaport Alliance of obtaining <u>NEW FREIGHT</u>, for the <u>NEXT CENTURY</u>, in conjunction with the <u>Fast Track Completion</u> of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's <u>ENTIRE</u> Columbia Basin Project (500,000 acres), Snake River, Yakima Basin, and expansion of Washington port projects!

President Stephanie Bowman & Seattle Port Commissioners,

Since we first met on April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018, I have been impressed with the Seattle Port Commissioners, and staff, on your "Centuries Vision" of obtaining new freight!

After meeting with the NW Seaport Alliance on January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019, wherein I promoted the NW Seaport Alliance, you should have joint direct involvement working with the Eastern Washington County Commissioners, State Legislative Officials, and the Governor. I traveled to Olympia and received strong support for this promotion from legislators and Washington State AG Chairman Brian Blake.

On June 13, 2019 I made a request, and new offer, to US Selective Service Director Don Benton. Who, as you know, was the ex-Washington Senator and current contender for President Trump's White House Chief of Staff.

I continued to promote my project to the Eastern Washington Council of Governments, and on June 26<sup>th</sup> the EWCOG agreed with Adams County Commissioner, John Marshall (District 1), to request a joint meeting with the NW Seaport Alliance.

Because of Washington State Economic Development's request Commissioner Marshall has agreed to convene a "Project Mini Summit" in Ritzville Washington at the Ritz Theater (date to be determined October – November).

On August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019 I met with the Grant County Commissioners requesting a letter from them in support of a joint meeting with the NW Seaport Alliance, and their support of the "Ritzville Mini Summit" (attached is their letter).

Stephanie and Commissioners the reason I have come before you today is to request your vote, if you are really interested in succeeding with "Your Century Vision"? To request you to draft a short letter, as the Grant County Commissioners did, for a "Joint Meeting of Eastern and Western Washington Commissioners with the NW Seaport Alliance". As well as your additional willingness to attend Adams County Commissioner John Marshall's future "Ritzville Mini Summit".

Respectfully submitted,

**Gien R Stockwell** 

Chairman

**Enclosure(1): Grant County Commissioners Letter** 

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August 6, 2019

Glen Stockwell, Chairman Washington State Economic Development Non-Profit Corporation

Re: Columbia Basin Project

Mr. Stockwell:

Thank you for meeting with the Grant County Commissioners on August 5, 2019 to discuss the Columbia Basin Project. We are in full support of the fast track completion of this project and are willing to attend a meeting with the Northwest Seaport Alliance, along with Adams, Lincoln, and Franklin counties to discuss this.

Once this meeting is scheduled, please notify our office.

Sincerely,

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