

PORT OF SEATTLE
MEMORANDUM

COMMISSION AGENDA

Item No. 4a

Date of Meeting April 2, 2013

DATE: March 27, 2013

TO: Tay Yoshitani, Chief Executive Officer

FROM: Mary Gin Kennedy, Director of Commission Services

SUBJECT: Special Order of Business – Commission Activities Report

At the first Commission meeting of every month, the Commission will note its major activities of the previous month. Activities during the month of March 2013 included:

- Appointed Courtney Gregoire to vacant Position No. 2 on the Port Commission and hosted an Oath of Office ceremony for her.
- Opened and closed applications for vacant Position No. 3 on the Port Commission.
- Selected and announced seven finalists for Position No. 3 on the Port Commission.
- Introduced Senator Patty Murray at the 2013 National Working Waterfronts & Waterways Symposium in Tacoma.
- Authored a commentary published in *Transportation Issues Daily* on trends impacting PNW ports based on attendance at the *Trans Pacific Maritime* conference.
- Co-signed a letter to Washington State Senator Andy Hill, with the Valley Cities Association and the Port of Tacoma, on streamlined sales tax mitigation in the 2013-2015 operating budget.
- Sent letters to the Port of Tacoma and the International Longshore and Warehouse Union Local 23 condoling the accidental death of an ILWU member Jeff Surber.
- Participated in the Washington Public Ports Association's Port Day in Olympia and met with King County and other state legislators during the month.
- Participated in the debut of live music as part of the "Music Initiative" at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport.
- Spoke at an event hosted by the Eastside Rail Corridor Regional Advisory Council.
- Was interviewed by Ross Reynolds on KUOW's "The Conversation."
- Attended the Washington Tourism Alliance Summit in Olympia.
- Attended Puget Sound Partnership's Ecosystem Coordination Board meeting.
- Attended a meeting of the Freight Mobility Strategic Investment Board.
- Attended a meeting of the Highline Forum.