Minutes Exhibit N Port Commission Special Meeting of November 10, 2015



May 28, 2015

Port of Seattle 2711 Alaskan Way Seattle, WA 98121

**RE: Seaview Boatyard Proposed Expansion** 

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We are writing to express our support of the proposed expansion of Seaview Boatyard at Shilshole Bay Marina. Our company employs approximately 120 employees in Seattle and receives a significant amount of revenue from boatyards like Seaview.

The Seaview Boatyard at Shilshole is the only saltwater boatyard north of downtown and is ideally located to serve boats moored at Shilshole as well as other local saltwater marinas like Elliott Bay. However, because of both the increasing number of boat owners as well as the average boat length, the local boatyards are no longer able to meet the demand of Seattle-area boaters, forcing many of them to take their boats to boatyards outside of King County for maintenance and repair work.

With the proposed expansion of the Seaview Boatyard, more local boaters would be able to have their boats hauled out in Seattle, which would result in the creation of more jobs at Seaview as well as the companies (like Fisheries Supply) that support Seaview. For these reasons, we are a strong advocate and supporter of the expansion of the Seaview Boatyard at Shilshole.

Thank you for considering our position as you contemplate the proposed expansion.

Sincerely,

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