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#### 2023 PORT FEDERAL PRIORITIES

The Port of Seattle is committed to creating a successful, safe, and healthy travel and trade experience, and to serving as a key contributor to regional and statewide economic growth. We are focused on developing more modern, high-tech facilities; better connecting the Puget Sound region to the world; maximizing the environmental sustainability of our operations; and ensuring that our local communities and residents thrive. The federal government can help us achieve this vision by:

##### 1. INFRASTRUCTURE & TRANSPORTATION » Support Terminal 46 planning

Sufficient Infrastructure and Transportation Funding: » Support TSA efforts to expand PreCheck, as well as Ensure that the Port and its partners have the resources additional technology solutions that maximize security necessary to develop new infrastructure that supports the and efficiency successful operations of our facilities, regional mobility, and » Preserve TSA funding for Law Enforcement Officer (LEO) water-based navigation systems. In particular: reimbursement grants

» Support Port grant applications for key infrastructure and » Improve UAS integration and detection transportation systems

» Support UAM/AAM integration into the National Airspace

» Maximize Harbor Maintenance Tax appropriations System

for the "donor port" HMT rebate program, and secure

implementation of the HMT reform provisions that were » Support the Jones Act included the Water Resources Development Act of 2020

##### » Increase Passenger Facility Charge flexibility 2. DECARBONIZATION & SUSTAINABILITY

» Move forward on Army Corps projects, such as Expanded Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) Deployment: design of the West Waterway portion of the Seattle Continue important progress toward the implementation of Harbor Navigation Improvement Project, and design robust SAF production and use. In particular: and construction of the Tacoma Harbor Navigation » Support Port and regional partner grant applications for Improvement Project key SAF infrastructure

» Support funding for continued federal operation and » Ensure clarity and authority for airports to use airport maintenance of the Hiram M. Chittenden Locks, as well as revenue and federal grant funding to support fuel additional funding for priority, non-routine maintenance switching, including support for the air quality and

» Support flexibility in Buy America and other domestic carbon reduction benefits of SAF

preference requirements until US manufacturers can » Fully fund federal SAF investments from agencies achieve the scale needed to meet federal requirements including the U.S. Departments of Defense (DoD), for port equipment, including zero-emissions equipment Agriculture, Energy (DOE) and Transportation (DOT)

» Support funding for sustainable transportation » Advocate for Joint Base Lewis-McChord to be selected options, including electric vehicle infrastructure, transit for the SAF pilot included in the last National Defense infrastructure and operations, and high-speed rail Authorization Act funding

Maritime Decarbonization: Continue progress toward

Efficient and Safe Port Operations: Ensure sufficient federal electrification and decarbonization of maritime operations staffing and other resources to allow for travelers, goods, and and infrastructure. In particular:

workers to operate successfully and safely at Port facilities. In

particular: » Support Port and regional partner grant applications for key maritime decarbonization investments

» Expedite the transition to non-fluorinated airfield firefighting

foams » Support the develop of partnerships with key federal

» Maximize TSA and CBP staffing agencies such as State, DOE, DOT and MARAD to support the development of green corridors

» Limit federal requests for Port funding for federal services, equipment, and facility development

» Support Port efforts to help shape international maritime

decarbonization policy, such as at the International Other Equity-Related Policies: Support new policies and Maritime Organization regulations that are aligned with the Port's equity, diversity,

» Support additional federal funding for port-specific and inclusion priorities. In particular:

hydrogen and clean marine fuel infrastructure » Support federal legislation on biometric technology that

» Fully fund the US Environmental Protection Agency's balances operational needs with protections for privacy, DERA program equity, and civil liberties

» Support efforts to location a United States Center for » Support funding and partnerships to facilitate the Port's

Maritime Innovation in Washington efforts to combat human trafficking

» Support policing reforms that align with the Port's

Puget Sound Restoration: Continue to invest in efforts to policing accountability assessment recommendations

restore the Puget Sound, and to facilitate the recovery of » Address barriers to increased Port spending on

Southern Resident Killer Whales (SRKW). In particular: community initiatives

» Invest in Puget Sound restoration through existing » Support local grant applications for "Reconnecting

programs Communities" funding

» Support Port and regional partner grant applications

for key remediation and underwater noise reduction 4. TRADE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT &

investments WORKFORCE

» Fully staff federal environmental permitting offices Competitive Trade Policies: Advocate for productive

» Expedite federal environmental permitting processes, engagement and negotiations that ensure a fair and level

including implementation of new rules that allow Ports playing field for mutually beneficial trade. In particular:

to support these efforts » Promote trade and lower non-tariff barriers

» Support SRKW recovery through investments in key » Re-evaluate existing tariffs

programs » Support new trade opportunities

» Oppose changes by the National Marine Fisheries

Service to the process for permitting projects until they Economic & Workforce Development: Invest in job creation

are approved through an act of Congress or a formal and training to ensure widespread prosperity for all of the

rulemaking process region's residents. In particular:

» Invest in kelp and kelp research » Support Port and regional partner grant applications for

key economic and workforce development investments

3. COMMUNITY & EQUITY » Support key pieces of legislation that advance

Welcoming Immigration Policies: Support changes that the offshore wind industry, particularly to create

create a welcoming environment for visitors, immigrants, and opportunities for the Pacific Northwest to become a

refugees into our country. In particular: leader in OSW manufacturing, assembly, deployment,

and maintenance for BOEM-identified projects

» Promote comprehensive immigration reform

» Support quality of job improvements for drayage drivers

» Support efforts to fully prepare for REAL ID transition

» Support the North Pacific fishing fleet

» Make DACA permanent

» Promote tourism

Sound Insulation Funding and Aircraft Noise and Emissions

Policies: Support additional investments in sound insulation

for home and other buildings near airports, and implement For more information on the Port of Seattle's

policies that address aircraft noise and emissions. In federal legislative agenda, contact:

particular:

» Support Port grant applications for additional sound Eric Schinfeld, Port of Seattle

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» Advocate for changes to federal policies, regulations, and

programs that align with local community priorities – as

identified by the SEA Stakeholder Advisory Round Table P.O. Box 1209

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indoor air quality near airports, specifically in public

schools