

May 13, 2022

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
U.S. Secretary of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE
Washington, DC 20590

Subject: Support for the NWSA Terminal 5 Export, Expansion and Emission Reduction Project

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

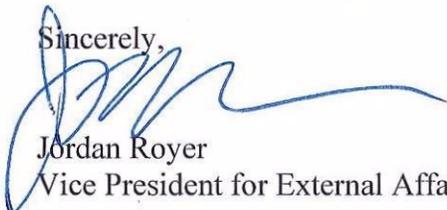
On behalf of the members of the Pacific Merchant Shipping Association (PMSA), I am pleased to support the 2022 U.S. Department of Transportation Port Infrastructure Development Program (PIDP) grant application submitted by The Northwest Seaport Alliance (NWSA) for its Terminal 5 Export, Expansion and Emission Reduction Project. PMSA represents shipping lines and marine terminal operators that serve the West Coast of the United States.

This Project will support the PIDP program's goals of improving the safety, efficiency, and reliability of the movement of goods through the Port of Seattle. The Project will increase the volume and efficiency of exports (principally agricultural exports) while reducing carbon emissions through reduced truck queuing.

The Terminal 5 Project will allow NWSA to better compete against international competition. **NWSA marine cargo operations currently support 58,400 jobs and more than \$4 billion in labor income across the Washington state economy.**

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this important project.

Sincerely,



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Vice President for External Affairs