



July 1, 2019

Lewis County
Community Development Department
2025 NE Kresky Ave.
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RE: Skookumchuck Wind Energy Project

To whom it may concern,

On behalf of the Port of Longview, I am pleased to extend my support for the Skookumchuck Wind Energy Project. As a deep-water international shipping port in Cowlitz County, we look forward to partnering as the Port of Entry for import cargo destined for the project.

This project will utilize many of the Port's major cargo handling offerings. Our location as the first operating port on the Columbia River, combined with our direct connections to major highways, creates a seamless route for over dimensional cargo moving through Longview's industrial area. In addition, the Port boasts more than 70 acres of open laydown space directly adjacent to the dock, which will provide ample storage and staging area for loading components to truck prior to embarking to the project site.

For nearly two decades, the Port of Longview has been a leader in wind energy cargo handling. Our success spans multiple customers and wind energy projects across the country.

Aside from the technical successes of handling this cargo, we also take great pride in the economic benefits it attracts to the community. Wind energy cargo generates among the highest benefits in employment hours and revenue to local businesses. By directing Skookumchuck wind cargo to the Port of Longview, this project will inject significant economic benefits to the local community, region and state.

Again, please accept my support for this project on behalf of the Port of Longview and feel free to contact me directly should you require additional information, nkrehbiel@portoflongview.com or 360-425-3305.

Sincerely,

Norm Krehbiel, Chief Executive Officer

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