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RE: Port of Port Angeles - Application for new Foreign Trade Zone

Dear Mr. McMahon:

The purpose of this letter is to document the support of this county for inclusion within the Service Area of Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) **Clallam County/North Olympic Peninsula**. We understand that this means that the grantee, **Port of Port Angeles**, will be able to apply to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board for authority to serve sites located within this county based on businesses' trade-related needs. We also note that the zone will be made available on a uniform basis to companies within this county, in a manner consistent with the legal requirement that each FTZ be operated as a public utility.

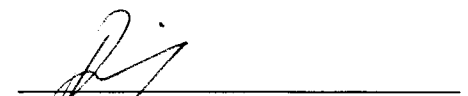
Regarding state or local taxes for which collections may be affected by FTZ designation of sites, this letter is not intended to provide a position on state or local tax issues for any site within this jurisdiction. At the time that any specific site is proposed for FTZ designation, parties potentially affected by the site's proposed designation (such as a local school board) will need to provide their own correspondence indicating their views on the impact on tax collections related to the proposed designation.

Sincerely,

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