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Dear Port Commissioners:

On behalf of the City of SeaTac, I want to say thanks for earnestly implementing the real estate strategic plan adopted late last year. By moving forward with the recommendations in that plan, the economic development opportunities the Port properties represent are being realized by all of us as individual communities and as a region.

I also want to acknowledge the great work of your economic development team – in particular Dave McFadden and Jeffrey Utterback in bringing forward the proposed lease of the Des Moines Creek North site in SeaTac. Throughout the process they worked hard to keep us informed on how the project was progressing and made sure that the consultant team scoping the project closely involved the City in the preparation of their reports and used that information in developing the RFP for the site.

As you know, the proposed development by Trammel Crow Northwest will create more than 356k square feet of high quality, light industrial space with supporting warehouse functions within two industrial buildings and create hundreds of new permanent well-paying jobs.

We are pleased with the proposed development and the jobs and other economic development benefits it will bring to our city. We urge your support for the lease proposal that will be considered in your meeting of August 8th.

We are also hopeful that the ultimate tenancy and end users of the space will be more along the lines of light manufacturing, assembly and processing than heavily weighted toward warehousing and logistics uses.

Once again, thanks to the Port for moving this property forward to a productive use. We look forward to working with you and your staff as other sites in the city - such as the “L-Shape” and “55 Acre” properties - are also brought onto the market to create additional opportunities to further both the City’s goals and those contained within the Port’s Century Agenda

Truly Yours,

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