RESOLUTION NO. 3006

A RESOLUTION of the Port Commission of the Port of Seattle declining to make any of its facilities available for any shipments of high level spent nuclear fuel.

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Energy has not responded to requests by the Port of Seattle, other local jurisdictions, the Governor of the State of Washington, and a number of citizen groups, for a thorough environmental assessment of proposed shipments of high level spent nuclear fuel rods through the Port of Seattle; and

WHEREAS, the Port of Seattle believes that the presence of high level nuclear fuel rods within the waters of the State of Washington endangers the Port of Seattle; and

WHEREAS, no well-defined, widely understood, comprehensive or coordinated policies, procedures, or responsibilities exist among federal, state or local government agencies to assure the safe, coordinated shipment of high level spent nuclear fuel rods; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Energy has failed to agree even to a statement of basic Principles relating to the safe shipment of high level spent nuclear fuel rods in the State of Washington which was proposed by a State-local Working Group representing the Governor of the State of Washington, and on which the Port of Seattle participated; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners of the Port of Seattle are concerned about the health, safety and environment of the citizens of King County whom they represent.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commissioners of the Port of Seattle do hereby respectfully decline to make any of its facilities available for any shipments of high level spent nuclear fuel rods at the Port of Seattle, whether or not such shipments are unloaded at the Port of Seattle.

ADOPTED BY THE PORT COMMISSION of the Port of Seattle at a special meeting, held this 23 day of October, 1986, and duly authenticated in open session by the signatures of the Commissioners voting in favor thereof and the seal of the Commission.

PORT COMMISSIONERS