



Washington State Legislature

November 28, 2016

Millennium Bulk Terminals-NEPA EIS
c/o ICF International
710 Second Av, Ste 550
Seattle, WA 98104

RE: Comments on Millennium Bulk Terminals NEPA draft EIS

To Whom It May Concern,

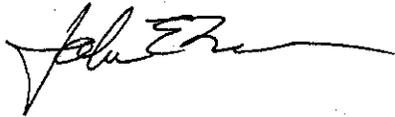
We appreciate the opportunity to submit comments regarding the draft environmental impact statement (DEIS) prepared by the US Army Corps of Engineers for the proposed expansion of Millennium Bulk Terminals (Millennium) in Longview, WA.

Creation of well-paying jobs and economic growth are critically important for the future of Washington State. While some areas of the state have experienced strong economic growth, other communities have been left behind. Our state must find a way to encourage economic growth in both the rural and urban areas. The Millennium project will provide that opportunity for job growth.

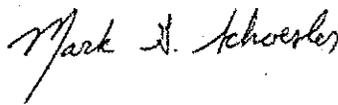
We have heard repeatedly from companies who are considering investing in Washington State. Their message is clear: speed and certainty in the permitting process are critical factors in where they choose to locate their businesses. We recognize that many large and complex projects, such as the Millennium proposal, will require careful consideration by all levels of government. Thousands of pages of detailed analysis have been completed by both the company and governmental agencies in the review process and multiple public hearings have been held to communicate with the community and for receiving comments on the analysis. We understand the need for the in-depth consideration required for this project. However, we urge the Corps to move quickly to finalize the analysis and issue the final EIS and record of decision that is necessary to allow agencies to make final decisions on permits needed for Millennium.

We believe Millennium and the surrounding communities deserve to have an answer as soon as possible, and we thank you for your consideration of our request for a final EIS.

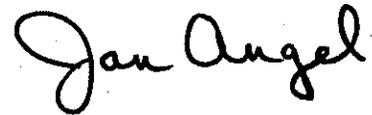
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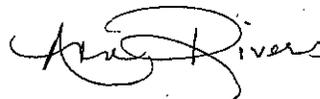
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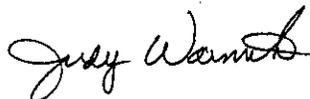
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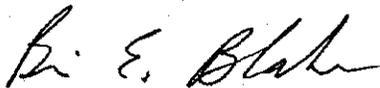
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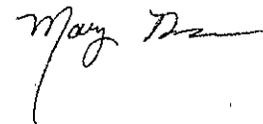
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