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Millennium Bulk Terminals-Longview NEPA EIS
c/o ICF International
710 Second Avenue, Suite 550
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Re: Arch Coal's comments on NEPA Draft EIS for Coal Export Project

Dear Ms. Guy:

On behalf of Arch Coal, Inc., I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the draft Environmental Impact Statement for Millennium Bulk Terminals-Longview's proposed coal export terminal on the Columbia River near Longview, Washington.

Arch Coal, Inc. is the second largest U.S. coal supplier and a major producer of thermal coal in the western United States, where we employ around 1,600 people at mines in Wyoming and Colorado.

We were an early investor in Millennium Bulk Terminals before exchanging our ownership interest in the project for future throughput rights.

As a result, we have deep familiarity with the Millennium management team, and great confidence in their commitment to move the project forward in an environmentally sensitive and responsible manner.

We fully expect Pacific Rim demand for low-emitting U.S. coal to strengthen in coming years, and believe that Millennium Bulk Terminals is exceptionally well-positioned to serve the growing energy needs of our friends and trading partners in Asia and the Americas.

We applaud the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for its reasonable and appropriate environmental scoping process, and compliment the USACE for conducting a robust and thorough environmental review of this important project.

Furthermore, we believe that the lengthy review process has afforded ample time for public comment, and thus encourage USACE to move forward as expeditiously as possible in finalizing the Environmental Impact Statement and producing a record of decision.

We are highly supportive of Millennium's efforts to secure the necessary operating permits to commence construction on this important port project, which we believe will be a significant boon for economic activity, job creation and job preservation in the state of Washington and multiple other Western states.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Deck Slone". The signature is fluid and cursive, written in a professional style.

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