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United States Coast Guard
13th Dist. Waterways Management Branch
Attn: Commander Brendan J. Harris
915 Second Avenue
Seattle, WA 98174-1067

RE: Interstate Bridge Replacement Program Coast Guard Bridge Permitting Process

Dear Sir,

Thompson Metal Fab, Inc. (TMF), is an Oregon corporation that manufactures structural steel components, modules, oil and gas rigs, and supporting equipment at a site it leases in the Columbia Business Center (CBC) located adjacent to the Columbia River in Vancouver, Washington, upstream from the Interstate Bridge Replacement Program's (IBR) proposed I-5 Columbia River Bridge, designed with a fixed span at 116' of vertical clearance from zero Columbia River Datum (Proposed Bridge Design). TMF depends, in significant part, upon shipping its products by way of the navigable waters of the Columbia River.

TMF has rigorously investigated, is fully informed of and understands the impact the IBR's Proposed Bridge Design will have on its business, business location, and its present and prospective navigation on the Columbia River (collectively, Impacts).

TMF and IBR have now, to TMF's full satisfaction, come to an agreement that will mitigate these Impacts. As such, this is TMF's notice to you, the United States Coast Guard (USCG), that – if IBR does not terminate the TMF/IBR agreement and if IBR fully performs all its obligations under the TMF/IBR agreement – TMF will consider its Impacts from the Proposed Bridge Design, fully and completely mitigated, and TMF will fully support the Proposed Bridge Design without objection.

Sincerely,

THOMPSON METAL FAB, INC.

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Cc: Interstate Bridge Project

