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Commissioners' Resolution No. 15-1111

A RESOLUTION of the Port Commission of the Port of Port Angeles, making findings with respect to the industrial development and manufacturing potential of repurposing scrap carbon fiber composite materials, and pledging support of the Composite Recycling Technology Center, a Washington nonprofit corporation, in the form of contracts for economic development services.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Port finds that the development of collection, processing and repurposing technology with respect to carbon fiber composite scrap material is a unique and viable economic development opportunity for Clallam County; and

WHEREAS, developing collection, processing, and repurposing technology for this resource can, among other things, promote the growth of advanced manufacturing industry in Clallam County; attract state, federal and foreign investment; and create job opportunities in Clallam County for highly skilled workers; and

WHEREAS, the Port has previously established a Composite Manufacturing Campus on property owned by the Port and has identified the 2220 Building on the campus as a site for the development of this carbon fiber research and technology development; and

WHEREAS, the Port finds that the pursuit of this economic development opportunity by a non-profit corporation that can establish partnerships with various private and public entities, including Peninsula College and potential suppliers of carbon fiber composite scrap material, will facilitate manufacturing, industrial and general economic development within Clallam County; and

WHEREAS, the Port has applied for and received various county, state and federal grants to help finance the capital costs of this effort including improvements to its facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Port is authorized pursuant to Article VIII of the State Constitution and RCW 53.08.245 to use public funds for industrial and economic development through contracts with nonprofit corporations; and

WHEREAS, the public interest is served by the Port's support of the development of a composite recycling and manufacturing industry in Clallam County; and

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WHEREAS, the Composite Recycling Technology Center ("CRTC") is a Washington nonprofit corporation with broad board representation from the public and private sectors, incorporated for the purpose of developing such collection, processing and repurposing technology; and

WHEREAS, CRTC will have and develop the requisite expertise; industry connections; market and technical knowledge; research, development and demonstration capabilities; and advanced manufacturing infrastructure and equipment to grow and support the development of a composite recycling and manufacturing industry in Clallam County; and

WHEREAS, CRTC can assist the Port in achieving the Port's economic and industrial development purposes by contracting with potential partners; gathering and sharing market information; delivering a CRTC strategic plan to demonstrate the viability of a composite recycling and manufacturing industry in Clallam County and CRTC's ability to support the Port's vision for such an industry in Clallam County; engaging in activities and partnerships consisting of research, product development, and product demonstration; contracting for plant improvements and equipment acquisition; assisting in workforce development with Peninsula College and other partners; and promoting the growth of investment in businesses in Clallam County; and

WHEREAS, the information acquired and relationships formed by CRTC will have significant marketing and economic and industrial development value to the Port; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public's interest for the Port to contract with CRTC for economic development services, to include the sharing of industrial and trade information, promotion of composite industrial development in Clallam County, facilitation of relationships between the Port and potential composite industry tenants of Port properties, and otherwise assist the Port in achieving the Port's composite recycling and manufacturing industrial and economic development goals; and

WHEREAS, the value in the economic development services to be provided by CRTC can be realized only if CRTC is able to fulfill its purposes; and

WHEREAS, CRTC has unique equipment and technology requirements that are essential to CRTC's operations and its capacity to fulfill its economic development

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services obligations to the Port, and that require grant assistance during CRTC's startup phase; and

WHEREAS, CRTC can leverage the Port's financial support to acquire funding for the purchase of such equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Port's success in developing a composite recycling and manufacturing industry in Clallam County is directly related to CRTC's success; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the Port's and CRTC's shared interest in developing a composite recycling and manufacturing industry in Clallam County, the Port and CRTC executed a contract for economic development services during calendar

year 2015, whereby the Port will pay CRTC \$97,500, plus 50% of Port's Director of Business Development's time as an in-kind contribution, and CRTC will assist the Port in the Port's implementation of its goals for composite recycling industrial and economic development as set forth in the Port's Economic Development Services Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Port intends to contract with CRTC for further economic development services during calendar year 2016, and intends to negotiate with CRTC the terms of an agreement or agreements for ongoing economic development services for calendar year 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Port is committed to providing CRTC with a total of \$1,350,000 during calendar years 2015, 2016 and 2017 in the form of cash payments, plus in-kind staff support and waiver, deferral or reduction of rent payments for Port facilities, for economic development services, conditioned upon CRTC's ability to perform its obligations under its economic development services contracts with the Port; and

WHEREAS, CRTC's ability to perform its economic development services obligations to the Port is dependent upon its access to the equipment required for its operations.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Port Commission of the Port of Port Angeles, as follows:

A. It is the policy of the Port of Port Angeles to encourage, support and facilitate the development of the composite recycling and manufacturing industry in Clallam County.

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- B. In furtherance of that policy, the Port pledges \$1,350,000 over calendar years 2015, 2016 and 2017, in the form of cash payments, for economic development services to be provided by CRTC to the Port.
- C. The Port further pledges in-kind staff support and waiver, deferral or reduction of rent payments for Port facilities, for those said economic development services to be provided by CRTC to the Port.
- D. The Port's commitment of \$1,350,000 in total cash support over calendar years 2015, 2016 and 2017 is conditioned upon CRTC's ability to perform its obligations under its economic development services agreements with the Port, including CRTC's access to equipment required for its operations.

ADOPTED by the Port Commission of the Port of Port Angeles at a regular meeting thereof held this 15th day of December, 2015.

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