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Janea Delk CERB Program Director & Tribal Liaison Department of Commerce PO Box 42525 Olympia WA 98504

RE: Port of Bellingham's CERB Grant Application

Dear Ms. Delk,

I am writing to confirm with the Department of Commerce's Community Economic Revitalization Board (CERB) that Whatcom County has committed \$2 million in matching funds to Whatcom County's Rural Broadband Project for the purpose of its application to the CERB's Rural Broadband Grant program. This complies with CERB's grant requirement that a public agency provide a 20% match of the total budgeted project costs.

Please contact my office with any questions.

Sincerely,

Barry Buchanan, Chair Whatcom County Council

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