

## RESOLUTION NO. 2023-30

### A RESOLUTION APPROVING A DOCK REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT WITH COLUMBIA PACIFIC BIO-REFINERY

**WHEREAS**, on November 12, 2023, a tug and barge went off course and collided with the Beaver Dock at Port Westward ("Dock"), causing significant damage to the Dock and severely damaging fuel, water, and vapor pipelines and related infrastructure creating a risk of release of fuels to the Columbia River, and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Coast Guard and other agencies were immediately notified, and an Incident Command System ("ICS") was established at Columbia Pacific Bio-Refinery ("CPBR") to structure the emergency response; and

**WHEREAS**, the Port requested that CPBR maintain and lead the ICS and CPBR willingly did so until the ICS was successfully completed on November 20, 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, CPBR has continued to work with the Port in managing the restoration operations at the Dock, including the next step of removing debris and broken pilings from the water and existing structures; and

**WHEREAS**, the Parties wish to ensure that neither party is financially harmed because of its actions to protect the Columbia River system, so the parties have negotiated the attached Reimbursement Agreement; now, therefore,


**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Port of Columbia County as follows:

The Board authorizes the Executive Director or his designee to sign the attached Reimbursement Agreement with CPBR.

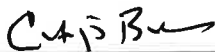
**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 29<sup>th</sup> day of November 2023, by the following vote:

AYES: 4      NAYS: 0  
ABSTAIN: 0

Port of Columbia County

By:   
President

Attested By:

  
Secretary