

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2017-02**

## A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWEST SEAPORT ALLIANCE **GREENHOUSE GAS REDUCTION TARGETS**

A Resolution establishing absolute greenhouse gas reduction targets for the Northwest Seaport Alliance, in keeping with the Paris Accord.

WHEREAS, The Northwest Seaport Alliance ("Alliance"), a port development authority of the State of Washington, organized pursuant to Chapter 53.57 RCW, is the fourth-largest container gateway in North America, supports over 48,000 family-wage jobs and generates \$379 million in state and local taxes annually to support education, police, fire services and road improvements; and

**WHEREAS,** the Alliance values the environment, our neighbors, and intends to grow responsibly to ensure a sustainable future; and

**WHEREAS**, the Alliance is committed to integrated economic, environmental, and social decision-making and

**WHEREAS,** today the transportation industry is highly reliant on fossil fuels, the Alliance will continue to support energy efficiency, innovation, alternative fuel sources and renewable energy to advance the movement of commerce; and

WHEREAS, the homeports of Seattle and Tacoma and the Alliance have demonstrated leadership in reducing air emissions through the Northwest Ports Clean Air Strategy since 2008 and are on track with goals to reduce diesel particulate matter (DPM) emissions, to decrease immediate and long-term health effects on adjacent communities and to reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and

**WHEREAS**, after the appropriate State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) review, the Port of Seattle follows the goals in the Century Agenda, including the strategic objective to be the greenest, and most energy efficient port in North America and reduce air pollutants and carbon emissions, specifically: scope 1 and 2 emissions 15 percent below 2005 levels by 2020; 50 percent below 2005 levels by 2030; and carbon neutral or carbon negative by 2050 and scope 3 emissions 50 percent below 2007 levels by 2030 and 80 percent below 2007 levels by 2050.

**WHEREAS**, after the appropriate SEPA review, the Port of Tacoma adopted a Greenhouse Gas Reduction Resolution to reduce Scope 1 and 2 emissions 50 percent below 2005 levels by 2030; and carbon neutral or carbon negative by 2050 and Scope 3 emissions 50 percent below 2005 levels by 2030 and 80 percent below 2005 levels by 2050.

**WHEREAS**, the Alliance has demonstrated leadership through the use of cleaner fuels, installation of shorepower and use of on-dock rail;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MANAGING MEMBERS OF THE NORTHWEST SEAPORT ALLIANCE TO HEREBY ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

 The Alliance adopts greenhouse gas reduction targets in keeping with the Paris Agreement and in alignment with the global reductions necessary for keeping warming to within 2-degrees Celsius by 2050. The Alliance will reduce greenhouse gas emissions within the Puget Sound airshed as follows:

By 2030:

• 50% below 2005 levels (scope 1, 2 & 3 emissions)

By 2050:

- Carbon Neutral (scope 1 & 2 emissions)
- 80% below 2005 levels (scope 3 emissions)
- 2. To accomplish these goals, the Alliance will advance initiatives specific to the operations it controls and work to influence other stakeholders whose emissions fall beyond the Port's authority. The Alliance is committed to partnering with tenants, cargo owners, shipping lines, manufacturers, warehousing and other key stakeholders to drive demand for cost-effective and innovative greenhouse gas reduction technologies and solutions to meet our collective goals.
- 3. The Alliance adopts this Resolution as an Alliance State Environmental Policy Act basis for mitigation.

ADOPTED by a majority of the members of The Northwest Seaport Alliance at a regular meeting held on the **3rd day of October**, **2017**, a majority of the members being present and voting on this resolution and signed by its Co-Chairs and attested by its Co-Secretaries under the official seal of said Managing Members in authentication of its passage this 3rd day of October, 2017.

Tom Albro, Co-Chair The Northwest Seaport Alliance

Richard P. Marzano, Co-Chair The Northwest Seaport Alliance

ATTEST:

Clare Petrich, Co-Secretary The Northwest Seaport Alliance