

ACTION ITEM MEMO

Port of Tacoma Commission



Item No: 6E
Meeting Date: 1/22/25

DATE: January 13, 2025
TO: Port of Tacoma Commission
FROM: Eric Johnson, Executive Director
Project Manager: Matthew Mauer, Manager, Government Relations
SUBJECT: Commission International Travel: January 1 – June 30, 2025

A. ACTION REQUESTED

Request semi-annual approval for Commission international travel from January 1 through June 30, 2025.

Strategic Plan Initiative: CC-1: Strengthen, build, and maintain relationships with a wide variety of public, community, and business stakeholders through direct engagement.

B. POSSIBLE TRAVEL DATES [EACH TO BE VOTED ON AS A SEPARATE ACTION ITEM]

EVENT	VENUE(S)	DATES
1. ASIA CUSTOMER VISITS Purpose: Meet with current and potential customers in the Asia Pacific trade route. Countries to visit could include Vietnam, Taipei, Singapore, Korea, etc. Estimated Cost: \$21,000	Asia Pacific	April 21-26
2. OUR OCEAN CONFERENCE / GREEN CORRIDOR MOU Purpose: Participate in the official signing of the MOU with the Busan Port Authority for the establishment of the Green Corridor between the NWSA and the Busan Port Authority. [trip immediately follows NWSA Asia customer visits] Estimated Cost: \$7,000	Busan, Korea	April 28-30
3. TRADE MISSION TO GERMANY [Homeport] Purpose: Greater Seattle Partners Steering Committee to meeting w/ key business leaders to foster trade relations with the Pacific Northwest Ports and region. Estimated Cost: \$10,000	Europe	May 30 – June 7
4. EUROPE CUSTOMER VISITS Purpose: Meet with current and potential customers based out of Europe's busiest trading ports. Estimated Cost: \$11,000	Europe	June 9-14
	Total Est.	\$49,000