

May 16, 2022

T. Mitchell Hudson, Jr. Secretary U.S. Department of Transportation Maritime Administration West Building 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20590

RE: PIDP Grant - Letter of Funding Commitment

Dear Mr. Secretary:

The Alabama State Port Authority match will include directed Congressional spending and private sector equipment contribution. The FY2022 Omnibus Appropriations Act provides \$132.7 million in directed Congressional Spending for Alabama State Port Authority Facilities and Improvements through HUD. HUD has not provided guidance as to whether those funds may be used for matching purposes, as it does for some of its other programs. Additionally, the project has a private sector contribution of up to \$30 million for two electric Ship-to-Shore gantry cranes necessary to the capacity and productivity of the Phase IV project and emissions reductions. As STS Cranes are not manufactured in the United States and cannot comply with the Buy American provision, the ASPA will seek a waiver, if the private equipment contribution is applied to the cost share.

Regards,

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