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**Subject:** Support of the Jordan Cove LNG Project

## Greetings,

Over the course of history in Coos Bay our port has played a significant role in our area's economy. Over the past couple of decades our local economy has greatly suffered with the decline of the timber industry and the subsequent reduction in shipping through our port. The proposed LNG terminal would provide a much needed catalyst for regional economic development through job creation and increased port utilization.

It is our understanding that the aggregate investment by Jordan Cove Energy Project is over \$5 billion dollars. The size of this investment in our community is unprecedented! The project during it the construction phase would bring between one to two thousand jobs to our area and once completed would provide long-term stable employment for over 120 direct hire personnel. The project would also provide needed work for for local longshoremen as well as a large number of indirect jobs in our community.

While the Coos Bay City Council has not taken a formal position on this project, they have shown their support by allowing City personnel to work with personnel from Jordan Cove and other local jurisdictions in the project planning for over six years. In addition the Council has approved at least two agreements with Jordan Cove to aid in the project planning. I believe I speak for the majority of the current and past council members in conveying our support the project and the economic value and revitalization it will bring to our community.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions or if I can help in any way.

Rodger Craddock, City Manager

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