June 2, 2011

SENT VIA E-MAIL AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

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Reference: Supplemental Adoption of Urban and Rural Reserves by Metro and Clackamas, Multnomah, and Washington Counties
(Metro Ordinance No. 11-1255; Clackamas County Approval of Findings; Multnomah County Ordinance No. 2010-1180;
Washington County Ordinance No. 740)

Dear Sir or Madam:

We represent the Coalition for a Prosperous Region (the “Coalition”), a consortium of business and labor organizations that includes the Columbia Pacific Building Trades Council, The Commercial Real Estate Association (NAIOP), Commercial Real Estate Economic Coalition, Home Builders Association of Metropolitan Portland, Portland Metropolitan Association of Realtors®, Portland Business Alliance, and Westside Economic Alliance.

The Coalition participated in the decisions culminating in the adoption of Metro Ordinance No. 10-1238A, Clackamas County Ordinance No. ZDO-233, Multnomah County Ordinance No. 2010-1161, and Washington County Ordinance No. 733 in June 2010 (collectively, the “Reserves Decision”). The Coalition also participated in the proceedings before the Department of Land Conservation and Development and before the Land Conservation and Development Commission (the “Commission”) in the summer and fall of 2010.¹ At the conclusion of its October hearing, the Commission voted to remand the Reserves

¹ The Coalition submitted written objections to the Reserves Decision, written exceptions to the director’s report, and testified at the October 2011 Commission hearing. Those submissions are in the Commission’s record, and are therefore not reproduced here.
Decision as it related to certain areas in Washington County; however, no remand order was issued. Since October, Metro and Washington County have worked to revise the areas designated for certain urban and rural reserves in Washington County, and the decisions cited in the reference line of this letter followed (collectively, the “Supplemental Reserves Decision).

Because no remand order was issued by the Commission, the Coalition believes that the review of the Supplemental Reserves Decision is a continuation of the Reserves Decision proceedings from last year. Given the unusual nature of the Supplemental Reserves Decision, we are submitting this letter to clarify our understanding of the process and ensure that the Coalition receives notice of any upcoming comment periods and hearings and opportunities to participate.

Please contact me if you have any questions (503-224-5560).

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

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Larry:

I received an out of office reply from Jennifer Donnelly, and decided I should route the attached letter to you in her absence. The original letter will follow by mail.

Best,
Carrie

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Jennifer:

Attached is a letter from the Coalition for a Prosperous Region (the Coalition), a party in the reserves proceedings before the Land Conservation and Development Commission. Based on our prior discussions, it is our understanding that the above-referenced ordinances will be incorporated into a continuation of the 2010 reserves proceedings before the Commission. Nonetheless, it seemed appropriate to submit a letter to that effect.

Please contact me or Stark if you have any questions,

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