August 30, 2019

Ms. Kristine Pearson Pacheedaht Referrals Coordinator Pacheedaht First Nation <contact information removed>

Subject: Pacheedaht First Nation Update to Traditional Use and Occupancy Study

Dear Ms. Pearson:

On August 1, 2019 the Pacheedaht First Nation (Pacheedaht) wrote to the Review Panel (Panel) to request permission to file an update to the Pacheedaht First Nation Traditional Use and Occupancy Study (TUOS) currently on the public registry (#1150). Pacheedaht also requested that the maps found in Appendix C of the TUOS be considered confidential. Pacheedaht subsequently included the TUOS as an attachment to their closing remarks, submitted to the Panel on August 26, 2019.

The Panel has considered Pacheedaht's request and has agreed to accept the TUOS. The information included in the TUOS was previously discussed publicly at the community hearing on June 17 so the Panel does not consider it to be new information. In addition, the Panel understands that the Project proponent, the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority (VFPA), was expecting submission of this report (registry #1683).

With respect to the request for confidentiality of the maps in Appendix C, the Panel is of the view that the maps can be covered under the existing confidentiality agreement between the Pacheedaht, the Panel, and the VFPA. A redacted version of the TUOS will be posted on the public registry, and only those who have signed the confidentiality agreement will have access to the maps in Appendix C.

Please contact the Panel Manager, Cindy Parker, at <contact information removed> should you have any questions regarding this letter or the environmental assessment process.

Sincerely,

<Original signed by>

Jocelyne Beaudet Panel Chair

c.c. Dave Levy, Panel Member Douw Steyn, Panel Member Mr. Brett Maracle, Crown Consultation Coordinator