



April 21, 2016

Anthony Foxx
Office of the Secretary of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington DC 20590

RE: TIGER Grant Federal Wage Certification

Dear Secretary Foxx:

The Port of Everett will comply with the federal wage rate requirements of subchapter IV, Chapter 31 of Title 40 United States Code (Federal wage rate requirements) as required by the FY 2016 Appropriations Act.

For federally funded projects, the Port of Everett uses contract specifications requiring prime contractors and all subcontractors to pay their laborers and mechanics employed under the contract a wage not less than the highest wage applicable to their work classifications, as specified by the current and applicable Federal Wage Determination. If no federal work classification appears to apply, the prime contractor shall make a written request to obtain the applicable work classification and wage rates prior to the start of construction. When the same classification and wages rates appears in both the Federal and the State Wage Decisions, the preemption noted at 24 CFR 965.101 shall apply. The prime contractor is responsible for ensuring subcontractor compliance with Davis-Bacon and Related Act Requirements.

If the Port of Everett is awarded a TIGER grant for the South Terminal Modernization, we will require all prime and subcontractors to meet federal wage requirements.

Sincerely,

Maija Lampinen
Procurement & Contracts Administrator