March 7, 2014 Update letter # 9

RE: Multiparty Boathouse «Space»

Dear Boathouse Owner:

A review of your moorage file indicates that Boathouse **«Space»** in Squalicum Harbor, where you moor your vessel, is currently out of compliance with the Port's Rules and Regulations for the Harbor. The purpose of this letter is to inquire as to your intentions. As you know, the Port has held 10 outreach meetings with boathouse owners since the March 2012 boathouse fire, and sent 8 previous letters to you explaining the policy changes that impact boathouses. For your convenience, we've compiled all of the past correspondence on the Port of Bellingham's website. You can access these at: <a href="http://www.portofbellingham.com/bhr">http://www.portofbellingham.com/bhr</a> And as a reminder of the requirements, please see the list below:

- <u>Boathouse Organization</u> The Multi Party Boathouse (MPBH) owners must form and register a legal entity with the State of Washington and submit evidence of the Boathouse Organization Agreement to the Port.
- <u>Liability Insurance Coverage</u> The Boathouse Organization shall maintain at least a \$3 million policy of liability coverage on the MPBH.
- <u>Boathouse Agreement</u> The Boathouse Organization shall enter into a boathouse Agreement with the Port of Bellingham (a copy of this agreement was provided in the last update letter).
- January 15, 2014 -deadline to submit the Organizing Agreement and Boathouse
  Agreement to the Port. To be granted an extension to July 15, 2014, vessels mooring
  inside the boathouse are required to carry at least \$1million of liability coverage on a
  marine/yacht policy listing the Port as Additionally insured.

We understand that the boathouse requirements are a change from the past, but these changes are necessary to make the harbor a safer place for both boaters and the general public. Please understand that the Port will do everything in its power to ensure that the requirements of both the Bellingham Fire Department and the Port's Rules and Regulations are followed. If you have any questions about how to meet your requirements, please contact either Chris Tibbe or myself.

Sincerely,

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