

**MEDIA ADVISORY**

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**PORT COMMISSION TO CONSIDER PROPERTY LEASE**

*Port officials to propose lease to IDM Longview, LLC and Skyline Steel*

**WHAT:** At a special meeting to be held tomorrow at 3:00 p.m. at the Cowlitz Regional Conference Center, Port of Longview Commissioners will consider leasing 35 acres in the Port's West Industrial Park to IDM Longview, LLC and Skyline Steel, a subsidiary of the world's largest steel manufacturer ArcelorMittal. The lease includes plans for IDM to construct a steel building to be sublet to Skyline, who will manufacture steel pipe.

The Port has the obligation to purchase the building at the end of the initial lease term in the event Skyline does not, which requires the project to comply with prevailing wage laws.

Earlier this year the Port received a \$300,000 grant from the Cowlitz County Rural Development Grant program to make improvements to the site to entice a lessee and bring jobs to the local area.

The Commission will consider the agreements following a presentation by the Port's staff and general counsel. A press release on the Commission's action will follow Monday morning, June 28, 2010.

**WHEN:** Friday, June 25, 2010, at 3:00 p.m.

**WHERE:** Cowlitz Regional Conference Center  
1900 7<sup>th</sup> Ave.  
Longview, WA 98632  
(360) 577-3121

\*\* For directions or parking information, please visit  
<http://www.co.cowlitz.wa.us/expo/maps.htm>.

**WHY:** Terms and execution of the lease must be approved by the Commission.

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