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Attached are comments received yesterday from the Cowlitz Tribe.

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Tribal Liaison, Columbia River Crossing Project

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Megan Beeby Tribal Liaison, Columbia River Crossing Project

SUBJECT: Columbia River Crossing Draft EIS Comments

Dear Megan:

The Cowlitz Indian Tribe (Tribe) would like to take this opportunity to comment on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Columbia River Crossing project (CRC). The following relates solely to the Archaeology Technical Report of 2008 May.

As you are aware, the Tribe commented on the Archaeological Technical Report of 2007. Among the Tribe's concerns were the usage of the words "Chinook" and "Chinookan." Although the issue is addressed in the DEIS, the language could be strengthened with the inclusion of the phrase "nor should be inferred" within the final sentences of the leading portions of both the Ethnohistory and Ethnography sections (pages 4-35, §4.6 and 4-53, §4.7).

Outside this single issue, the Tribe has no other concerns at this time. As archaeological testing throughout the project area is performed, we are confident new sites and artifacts will elicit information that will significantly contribute to existing knowledge of the Pacific Northwest and its Native inhabitants.

Thank you for your time and attention.

All My Relations,

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