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To: Infrastructure Financing Authority (IFA)
From: John Snyder, CPA Financial Analyst, City of Astoria
Re: Comments to Support IFA Mission

My name is John Snyder. I was the Finance director for the City of Astoria from 1985 to 2011. Since then, my job with the City is as the Financial Analyst. I am primarily responsible for preparing the City's budget and financial statements.

Through the years I have worked with the various financing programs offered by the state, particularly through the Infrastructure Financing Authority. Over the years, this group has supported Astoria projects like the slow sand filter, the Skyline water tank, Reservoir Covers that were federally mandated, the Bear Creek Waterline and Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrades. IFA has also supported the City's federally mandated Combined Sewer Overflow projects with loans and grants.

Astoria Public Works and Finance staff has always found IFA staff to be supportive, helpful, responsive and flexible in their effort to find ways to provide financing for these projects. The citizens of Astoria and City staff are grateful for IFA's and the state's support for these critical Public Works projects. Thank you for your support of the IFA mission.