**Post-seizure** 

Port of Astoria 422 Gateway Ave. Suite100 Astoria, Or. 97103 503-741-3300

November 25th, 2024

Robert Belanger 40374 Lucy Lane Astoria, OR 97103

## RE: Post-seizure notice for OR 198ABN

Dear Robert Belanger,

The Port of Astoria seized a 1900 Fiberglass motor vessel, 26 feet in length; with a certificate of number OR 198ABN on November 25<sup>th</sup>,2024 at 11:30 am at the Port of Astoria Boatyard. The vessel contains personal property and should be removed before December 18th, 2024.

The Coast Guard record indicates that you are the current owner of this boat. The boat was seized under authority of ORS 830.911 as a derelict and abandoned vessel due being left at the boatyard without authorization and payment for the slip.

You, as owner of this boat, are liable for salvage, towing, storage and disposal costs incurred by the Port of Astoria and the Oregon State Marine Board. The costs to date are \$1,640.26 for the storage of the boat. Estimated demolition and waste hauling costs are an additional \$5,000 for a total estimated cost of \$6,640.26.

You may immediately reclaim the boat by presenting proof of identification and payment of costs that have accrued. Furthermore, you must provide proof that you can move the boat to a place where the boat can be lawfully kept on or before January 13th, 2025.

Failure to reclaim and move the boat as well as pay the costs of salvage, transport, and storage by **January 13th at 11:30 AM, 2025** will cause the title to the boat and all personal property found in the boat to be vested with the Port of Astoria. The port may then sell or otherwise dispose of the boat. If the boat is sold, the liability imposed under ORS 830.938 shall be reduced by the net proceeds of the sale. The costs incurred will be paid from the Oregon State Marine Board's Salvaged Vessel Subaccount; however, you, as the owner, will remain liable for any outstanding salvage, transport, storage and disposal costs.

You may request a hearing by submitting a written request no later than **December 18th**, **2024** to the Port of Astoria 422 Gateway Ave. Suite 100 Astoria OR. 97103. The request for hearing must include a statement of the specific grounds on which the seizure is challenged and whether you challenge the reasonableness of any salvage, towing or storage costs incurred by the Port of Astoria and the Oregon State Marine Board.

If you have any questions please direct them to Brendon Stock Boatyard Manager Port of Astoria 503-791-7731.