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Dear Jeff Killelea,

We are a family owned and operated boatyard in Friday Harbor, WA. We will be celebrating our 100th anniversary next year so we've seen quite a change in environmental standards over the years.

In 1992 +/- the Department of Ecology passed new regulations requiring us to provide tarps under dry dock work areas, install a recycled water system and wash pad (for both our marine travel lift and railway) and follow best management practices. Although these new boat yard permit requirements were a drastic change for us and at large expense, we saw them as improvements and were happy to comply. These were reasonable and tangible improvements with measureable and valuable results for protecting the land and water that surround our facility.

In the recent years the list of requirements for our boatyard permit has become increasingly long. The list of do's and don'ts are that much harder to enforce and the time it takes to be in compliance is taking up a lot of time that would otherwise be spent serving our customers. Nothing can compete with the importance of protecting and preserving our environment.

Albert Jensen & Sons, Inc. supports the recent proposed changes to modify the current boatyard permit. We feel these changes will not compromise the integrity of our environment and will also allow us to continue our business that has been serving our community for the last 99 years. Without changes as proposed, we risk not being able to afford to do business any longer.

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