

## CITY OF MANITOWOC

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July 15, 2025

Ms. Erika Kluetmeier Harbors and Waterways Section Wisconsin Department of Transportation 4822 Madison Yards Way Madison, WI 53707-7915

Re: Harbor Assistance Program Grant Application for the Crane Platform and Loadout Ramp at City Centre, LLC in Manitowoc, WI

Dear Ms. Kluetmeier,

Please find enclosed a completed application form and supporting documentation for a grant funded under the Harbor Assistance Program. This application is being submitted on behalf of City Centre, LLC

Since 2000, City Centre, LLC has developed into a premier manufacturing hub and transload dock facility. City Centre, LLC leases property to Konecranes Nuclear Equipment & Services, LLC (KNES) which has allowed them to build four gantry cranes over the last four years. Currently KNES has two 175-ton gantry cranes erected and ready for shipment to the US Navy, with three additional cranes being manufactured. The current erection platforms are at capacity and to fulfill other customers orders, new erection and loadout platforms will be required. The new platform will allow the additional 7 cranes under contract to be built in Manitowoc rather than pursuing other facilities in the United States. The project has a terrific return on investment and will initially add up to 5 jobs to the local work force and maintain the 38 jobs added or the previous cranes.

On behalf of City Centre, LLC, we are very much looking forward to your review of the application and anticipate that you will find this worthy of the State's investment.

Sincerely,

Justin M. Nickels, Mayor