



STATE OF WASHINGTON  
ENERGY FACILITY SITE EVALUATION COUNCIL  
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Dear Interested Persons:

Subject: Notice of Schedule for Response Documents to a Petition for a Declaratory Order –  
Northwest Innovation Works

The Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (EFSEC) is reviewing a petition for a declaratory order regarding jurisdiction for Northwest Innovation Works, a proposal to build a natural gas to methanol facility located at the Port of Kalama, Cowlitz County. Notice announcing receipt of the petition was issued on July 8, 2016.

The petition can be viewed at: <http://www.efsec.wa.gov>. Sections of the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) and the Washington Administrative Code (WAC) pertaining to declaratory orders are: [RCW 34.05.240](#); [WAC 10-08-251](#) and [252](#); [WAC 463-34-070](#), [080](#) and [090](#).

Background: On June 23, 2015 EFSEC received a petition for a declaratory order from Lauren Goldberg, representing Columbia Riverkeeper. The petition requests EFSEC issue a declaratory order that it has jurisdiction over the Northwest Innovation Works proposal. The Northwest Innovation Works proposal is currently undergoing State Environmental Policy Act review by Cowlitz County.

With this notice EFSEC is implementing a process and schedule to identify persons who fall within the scope of RCW 34.05.240 (7) and who object to entry of a declaratory order. Persons who have a statutory right to object under RCW 34.05.240 (7) and wish to do so, must file an objection with EFSEC by August 2, 2016, demonstrating that they are a necessary party and that their rights would be substantially prejudiced by entry of a declaratory order. Responses to such objections must be filed by August 9, 2016 and replies must be filed by August 16, 2016. Documents must be received in the EFSEC office by close of business on the dates listed. All documents received will be posted on the EFSEC website.

As allowed under RCW 34.05.240 (5) the matter is set for specified proceedings. If no proper objections are filed pursuant to RCW 34.05.240 (7), initial briefs in support of the petition for a declaratory order must be filed by August 30, 2016, response briefs must be filed 10 days later, reply briefs must be filed 5 days after response briefs are filed, and oral arguments will be heard on September 20, 2016.

Sincerely,

/s/

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