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From: Heather Taylor [aagal@telus.net]
Sent: Sunday, October 07, 2001 12:24 PM
To: Allen Fiksdal

Subject: "No" to the proposed SE2 plant, SHAME ON THE U.S. FOR TREATING ITS GREAT NEIGHBOUR TO THE NORTH, CANADA, IN SUCH A GREEDY, SELFISH, SNEAKY AND THOUGHTLESS MANNER

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HUGE PROBLEM: THE SEIS DOCUMENTS AND PERMITS THAT EFSEC REVIEW, CONSIDER AND ISSUE ONLY FOCUS ON THE IMPACTS THE SE2 PLANT WILL HAVE IN THE UNITED STATES, NOT IN CANADA, WHERE THE VAST MAJORITY OF POLLUTANTS FROM SE2 WILL END UP.

SE2 is proposing to build a natural gasfired power plant in Sumas, but residents in the Fraser Valley are opposed, because the pollution WILL HAVE HUGE NEGATIVE impacts the Canadian side of the border.

In addition to air emissions permit, a draft supplemental environmental impact statement (SEIS) in Washington state details the potential effect the power plant will have on wells on the U.S. side of the border, **BUT NOT IN CANADA.**

The SEIS also does not examine the environmental impacts of SE2's cooling tower waste water, because it **will flow to the CANADIAN JAMES SEWAGE PLANT AND CANADA'S FRASER RIVER AND THEREFORE ISN'T UNDER WASHINGTON'S JURISDICTION.**

Other issues examined in SEIS include: flooding, impact on groundwater, earthquake potential, greenhouse gases, carbon dioxide mitigation, wetlands and low frequency noise. The problem is that these documents focus on the U.S., **BUT THIS POWER PLANT WILL AFFECT CANADIANS MUCH MORE THAN IT DOES AMERICANS.**

One of the other problems is that the cumulative effect of the SE2 pollutants for the next 20 to 30 years in the Fraser Valley have not been analyzed.

British Columbia has Aircare inspections for all vehicles licensed in B.C. to cutdown on air pollution from fuels.

The proposed SE2 plant would destroy any gains Aircare has made in the pollution problem. The proposed SE2 plant would annually emit:

- 2.4 million tons of the unregulated greenhouse gas carbon dioxide
- 153 tons of volatile organic compounds
- 209 tons of particulate matter
- 144 tons of nitrogen oxides
- 88 tons of carbon monoxide
- 69 tons of sulfuric oxides
- 14 tons of sulfuric mist
- 7 tons of formaldehyde
- unspecified amounts of toluene, xylene, acetaldehyde and ammonia

Acid rain is also a major issue for the Fraser Valley agricultural area.

Mr. Fiksdal, the last thing the Fraser Valley and Canada needs is more pollution. We have a huge problem already with pollution. Abbotsford needs to stop allowing SE1 to send their pollution to the JAMES power plant. You wouldn't want SE1 and the proposed SE2 sending their pollution to where

you live, and neither to we. Please, stop the insanity, treat your neighbor as you would want to be treated. We all share this earth. And the disaster that happened on Sept. 11th only reinforced Canadians' feelings of love, care and compassion for our U.S. neighbors. If we all work together, we can make this world a better place to live and raise our families.

Sincerely,
Kerry and Heather Taylor and family