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RE: Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal – Adjudication No. 15-001

Dear Parties:

It has come to my attention that a letter from the Port of Vancouver, a party in the above-referenced adjudication, was sent to Governor Inslee and copied to EFSEC Chair Bill Lynch. As Chair Lynch is a decision maker in EFSEC's recommendation process, and Governor Inslee is the ultimate decision maker in the project application, these would appear to be improper ex parte communications while there is an adjudication going on.

I have no indication that a copy of this letter was provided to the other parties. As with other correspondence, we have now posted a copy of the Port's July 7, 2015 letter to Governor Inslee on the website in the Tesoro folder.

This letter is to let the parties know this communication has occurred. I ask all parties to avoid any ex parte contacts to decision makers for the duration of this EFSEC process. I also want to reiterate that copies of all communications that relate in any way to the Vancouver Energy

Distribution Terminal project adjudication and recommendation decision process be contemporaneously provided to all other parties in the adjudication.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Cassandra Noble". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "C".

Cassandra Noble  
Administrative Law Judge