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I am writing in support of the oil terminal. The energy industry has changed dramatically in the past five years, during which the U.S. has become the world's largest producer of oil plus gas (surpassing Russia this year). Within the next five years, facilities will be built throughout North America to carry this new valuable production to markets all over the world. The Port of Vancouver can either be part of the new dynamic economy or it can watch the opportunities move to other ports, such as the Port of St. James in Louisiana, already a major hub for pipelines, storage facilities, railroads, and processing and refining plants. The Port of Vancouver is competing with sites all over the country for this long-term source of revenue. The more that we appear to waver, the more developers will incline toward their other alternatives, whether in British Columbia, Louisiana, Texas, or any number of other locations.

The question is, do we want a long-term source of income for our Port, or will we be satisfied to sit by and watch other locations win out? Time is of the essence.

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