Docket EF-131590 Tesoro Savage CBR Scoping Comment #201

From: Friends of the Columbia Gorge <Advocacy@GorgeFriends.org> on behalf of Ron Martin <rwmartin@mtu.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 12:01 AM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
Subject: Docket No. EF-131590 Application No. 2013-01 Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal Comments

Categories: Comment, Blue Category

Oct 30, 2013

Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council
WA

Dear Site Evaluation Council,

Please deny the permit for the Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal.

I am writing as a resident of and a business owner in the Columbia River Gorge.

The proposed Tesoro Savage project would transport 360,000 barrels of oil per day through the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area. I have grave concerns about this proposal and its impact on the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area. The scope of review under the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) must include the following:

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Thank you for considering these comments and including them into the official record.

Sincerely,

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From: Bob Gush <bob.gush@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 8:58 AM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
Subject: Against oil terminal in Vancouver

Categories: Comment, Blue Category

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From: Friends of the Columbia Gorge <Advocacy@GorgeFriends.org> on behalf of sally newell <scoop@embarqmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 9:02 AM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
Subject: Docket No. EF-131590 Application No. 2013-01 Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal Comments

Categories: Comment, Blue Category

Oct 30, 2013

Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council
WA

Dear Site Evaluation Council,

Please deny the permit for the Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal.

Just yesterday I heard that Gov. Inslee was standing with the other west coast governors to "take action," on climate change.
Looking carefully at alternatives to the proposed Tesoro Savage oil terminal in Vancouver would be an action that would make sense for governor Inslee and EFSEC.

This proposed project would transport 360,000 barrels of oil per day past my home in the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area. I have grave concerns about this proposal and its impact on my home, as well as the wisdom of exporting oil.

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Sincerely,

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From: Emmi McLarty <e.mclarty@comcast.net>
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 9:40 AM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
Subject: Health Concern

Categories: Comment, Blue Category

The Tesoro Savage Petroleum project in Vancouver, WA is contrary to our plans to restore the riverfront. We DO NOT want 14,000 train cars and 50,000 barrels of crude oil going through Vancouver terminal daily! From what I hear there are no safety plans if one car toppled over. When the fossil fuels are burned off they emit harmful chemicals into the environment. We are trying to revitalize our area but not at the suffering of people in NW. Please vote NO. Thank you, Emmi McLarty, registered voter

From: Wagner, Jon <Jon.Wagner@cityofvancouver.us>
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 10:34 AM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
Cc: Holmes, Eric; Mercier, Dave; Potter, Bronson
Subject: comments relating to the Tesoro/Savage project docket EF-131590

Categories: Comment, Blue Category

Please consider the following comments as a response from the City of Vancouver regarding the Scoping process.

The scale of this proposal is unprecedented for the city of Vancouver. The project, if approved, will have impacts on our local community.

The City has not previously been the host jurisdiction for an EFSEC project and we do not have a defined process for participating in the EFSEC siting procedures. We need time to develop a process for making decisions, including providing scoping comments.

The city did not receive the DS and Scoping Notice in a timely manner. EFSEC issued a Determination of Significance on Oct. 1, 2013. EFSEC staff sent the notice to an incorrect email address. As a result, notice was not received by the city. I discovered the notice on the EFSEC website in mid-October. I contacted EFSEC and an official notice was received on October 16; a full two weeks after the official notice was issued.

To provide EFSEC with the information needed to determine the EIS scope, the city needs additional time to review the project and discuss it with our decision-makers. And for the decision-makers to have an opportunity to hear from their constituents. An additional 60 days is needed to fully review the potential categories of environmental impacts and provide meaning full input into the scoping process.

Should you have questions, please contact me.

Jon Wagner, AICP | Senior Planner

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From: Friends of the Columbia Gorge <Advocacy@GorgeFriends.org> on behalf of Merle Clifton <merlepdx@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 11:32 AM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
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Sincerely,

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Tesoro Savage CBR
Scoping Comment
#207

From: Eric LaBrant <labrant@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 11:36 AM
To: EFSEC (UTC); Bumpus, Sonia (UTC)
Cc: Linda Garcia; Kathy Peirce; Karen McCallister; Katy Brooks; Curtis Shuck; povcommissioners@portvanusa.com
Subject: Crude-By-Rail EFSEC Scoping Comments
Attachments: Tesoro - Google Maps.pdf

Categories: Comment, Blue Category

Good morning,

Attached, please find a map of the area surrounding the proposed transloading terminal. Based upon wind data from much closer to the project site, the plume of TAP passes directly over a densely-populated area. My home is less than a mile and a half downwind, and I am terrified of the imminent health danger to my family, which includes two children. I mention this because at their age, their lungs are still developing, and are even more sensitive to these TAP emissions.

We cannot simply move. Aside from the economic constraints involved in that, the home will be unsaleable if it is contaminated in this way, with my only alternative being to unethically sell it to someone who is unaware.

Nor should we have to relocate to maintain our health and safety. If a new project is to be started, it is incumbent upon the applicant to thoroughly demonstrate that it will not interfere with our ability to live where we are already living.

TSJV has repeatedly described their vapor recovery process as "closed loop," with vapors being "destroyed by thermal oxidation." There is no loop. It is not closed. Vapors are piped directly to a vapor combustion unit and burned. The vapors that are not combusted completely would be released untreated into the air. According to the applicant's own optimistic projections, toxic emissions will average 97 tons per year.

Requests to EFSEC regarding review scoping:

- Please consider the extreme environmental, health, and safety sensitivity of the surroundings to the transloading terminal, and how an ongoing, cumulative release of TAP will impact their livability. The immediate neighborhood surrounding the project (Fruit Valley) includes 3,000 residents, an elementary school, several thousand employees, 4 parks, 2 rivers, several lakes, a national wildlife refuge, and a wetland mitigation bank literally across the street from the tank farm. This does not include adjacent neighborhoods, who each have residents, schools, parks, and employees of their own.

- Please require TAP release modeling based upon the project site's prevailing winds, not a location 4 miles away.

- Please require ongoing air quality monitoring with results released to the public monthly for human health and safety reasons.

- Please require strict emissions controls to protect nearby residents from being harmed by TAP.

- Please consider the effect of precipitation, temperature inversion, air stagnation events, and cloud mixing, and

how they will impact TAP concentrations in the surrounding neighborhoods.

- Please consider the cumulative impact of TAP release, inhalation, and precipitation over the course of the ten year project lease.

- Please investigate the potential contamination of soil, groundwater, and wastersheds by TAP that exceed SQER and are rained back down across the area.

- As rail is an integral part of this process, please require full review and public hearing requirements, including health, safety, environmental, and accident response, for each county adjacent to any rail lines where crude oil or coal will be transported.

- As marine transport is an integral part of this process, please require full review and public hearing requirements, including health, safety, environmental, and accident response, for each county adjacent to waterway where crude oil or coal will be transported.

- Please require full disclosure of all spills, violations, incidents, near-misses, and fines involving Tesoro or Savage for the last ten years. Please use the frequency of these incidents to project the likelihood of an incident for a project of this capacity over the life of the ten-year project lease.

- Please require a projection of the economic impact to tourism along the path of oil transport, both during normal operation as well as in the event of an accident.

- Please require all discussions of health, safety, and environmental accidents to include all facets of impact, including tourism losses, air quality and TAP release, groundwater contamination, watershed contamination, soil contamination, wildlife impact, infrastructure damage or unavailability, fire, explosion, and transportation capacity loss.

- Please require seismic review of land adjacent to the rail path and project the likelihood of unanticipated rock slide or fall, both under normal conditions and under increased rail traffic commensurate with proposed rail projects.

- Please consider potential damage and/or shutdown cost to Columbia Basin dams and power generation capacity in the event of a rail incident.

Many of my concerns are spill and accident related, but I'm even more concerned about the contamination and health damage that will result immediately if the project functions exactly as planned with no surprises at all.

Please consider the real-world impacts of this project.

Many thanks,

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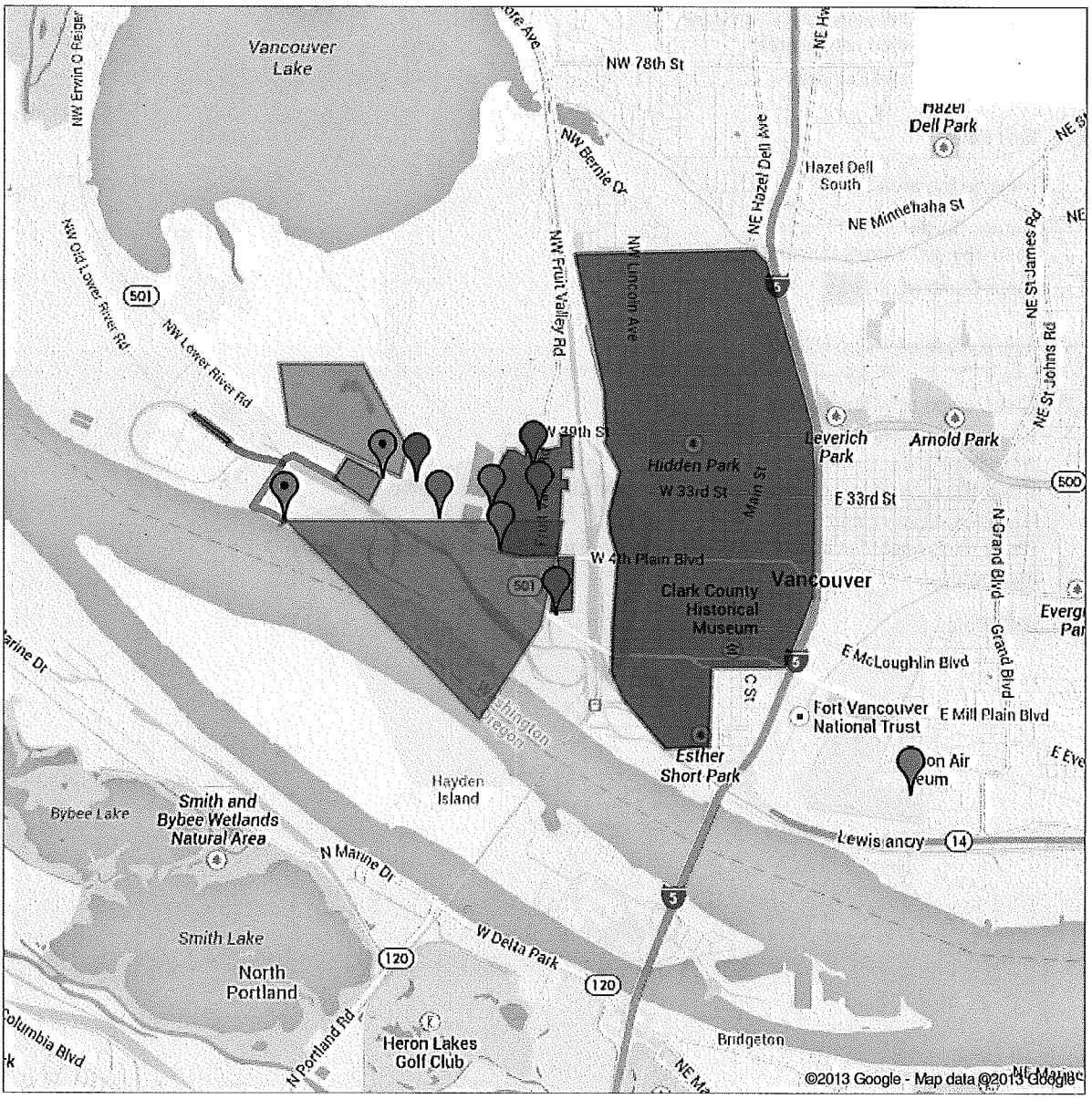

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Columbia River Wetland Mitigation Bank
154 acre protected natural area

Vapor Burning and Release

Tank Farm

Transloading area

Storage Tanks
Up to 380,000 barrels (1.6 million gallons)

Vapor Combustion Units

Where crude oil will be flowing

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Prevailing Winds, 1.5mi
This is the area up to 1.5 miles downwind from where vapors are burned.

Prevailing Winds, 2.0mi
This is the broader fan up to 2.0 miles downwind of toxic release (97 tons per year)

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Wind Data

From: Friends of the Columbia Gorge <Advocacy@GorgeFriends.org> on behalf of Camille Roberts-Krick <chameleonr@comcast.net>
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 12:02 PM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
Subject: Docket No. EF-131590 Application No. 2013-01 Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal Comments

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Scoping Comment
#209

From: Mike Pick <pickmc@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 12:50 PM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
Subject: Proposed terminal for crude oil to vancouver, wa

Categories: Comment

I would like to voice my strong DISapprovel of this proposed terminal site. Savage Petroleum Terminal LLC has contracted the use of Vancouver's public lands for their terminal and are trying to sell it on the fact that it will bring jobs. It will, indeed, bring very few jobs at too high of a cost to our people and our city. A trade-off can't even come close to the risk this brings to our city.
There could be 14,000 train cars will carrying 50,000 barrels of crude oil to the Vancouver terminal EVERYDAY. These fossil fuels will be processed which means burning off and emitting benzene, chromium, mercury,xylene and other harmful chemical into the environment.

Tesoro does not have a good safety record and does not deserve our public trust in case of derailment or any other oil spill.

The many trains will disrupt homeowners along the Columbia river and in fruit valley to name but a few areas that will be greatly negatively impacted. This project will effect the entire NorthWest, for a spill, which is a given in time, will be extremely harmful to the environment, to boat owners, and to our efforts to beautify our wonderful Columbia river George.

Please do all you can to stop this for the good of the majority.

Thanks
Carol pick
Vancouver, WA

From: Lyndee Cunningham <lyndeee@comcast.net>
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 1:38 PM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
Subject: TESORO/SCOPING

Categories: Comment, Blue Category

It would be unconscionable to go ahead with the Tesoro site lease after listening to the obviously anti-Tesoro sentiment and sensibility stressed so brilliantly and passionately last evening at Clark College. This huge throng of local people care deeply about the beautiful community they are blessed to be a part of in SW Washington. We all want to keep it that way and no amount of money will change that.

We were all fearful of this fabulous quality of life being jerked away from us for a fistful of greedy dollars from dirty crude oil. The negatives in allowing the Tesoro lease to move forward loom large.

Please do the right thing to guide our leaders to say 'no' to Tesoro in our community! Let's move forward to the future, not backward.

Thank you kindly,

Lynda and Ed Cunningham
Vancouver

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Tesoro Savage CBR
Scoping Comment
#211

From: Friends of the Columbia Gorge <Advocacy@GorgeFriends.org> on behalf of Daniel hannon <hannond@comcast.net>
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 7:33 PM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
Subject: Docket No. EF-131590 Application No. 2013-01 Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal Comments

Categories: Comment, Blue Category

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Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council
WA

Dear Site Evaluation Council,

Please deny the permit for the Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal.

I am a Portland, Oregon resident who would like to go on record as opposing the granting of a permit to Tesoro Savage to build an oil transfer terminal on the Columbia River in Vancouver, Washington.

First, any further commercial effort to increase the use of fossil fuels goes against President Obama's goal to reduce carbon emissions and rely more heavily on alternative forms of energy. There is no doubt any more that global temperatures are rising, sea levels are rising, and polar ice caps are melting. The City of New York is currently planning a multi-billion dollar flood control system to keep the city from being inundated by flood waters. The Netherlands is seeing an increasing number of flood events, and is considering new and costly schemes to control flood waters. The prediction that rising sea levels would cost trillions of dollars worldwide is already beginning to happen, and emissions from petroleum-fueled vehicles and other installations simply adds to the warming problem.

Second, the Columbia River is already threatened by pollution of various sorts, and oil spills--a distinct possibility--would further pollute our river. We already have Hanford and its nuclear wastes to worry about. We already have excess nitrogen run-off from farms to worry about as well. Add the many dams along the entire length of the Columbia River, and it is a wonder that salmon can survive at all. Of course, their survival would not have been possible without the hatcheries, which create their own problems.
Let's not add oil spills at a petroleum transfer facility to the list of environmental threats. I can imagine the usual argument favoring it's construction: jobs. Whenever I hear that battle cry, I look for someone who stands to make enormous profits. I urge you to choose long-term liveability and the health of the Columbia River over profits for the oil industry.

Thank you for considering these comments and including them into the official record.

Sincerely,

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Scoping Comment
#212

From: Bobbie Beyl <bobbiebeyl@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 8:28 PM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
Subject: concern about the oil trains and possible oil terminal in Vancouver

Categories: Comment, Blue Category

I am concerned about the increased air pollution in a populated area, the environmental impact of a possible oil spill or a fire if the trains were derailed (like in Canada). traffic congestion crossing the rail tracks and the effect of all of this on air pollution and global warming. I am also concerned about the negative impact on the pristine air of the Columbia River Gorge.
Thank you .
Roberta Beyl

From: Beverly Elaine Sharp <besharpone@comcast.net>
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 9:10 PM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
Subject: Vancouver refinery

Categories: Comment, Blue Category

The environmental impact a refinery along the Columbia River is so overwhelming huge that it should not even be considered. The idea for a refinery should not be considered. This is a really bad idea. No amount of money could cover the destruction caused by an oil spill in the Columbia River. Do not allow a refinery to be built. Leave the Pacific Northwest alone!

Elaine Sharp
Longview, Washington
Sent from my iPad

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Scoping Comment
#214

From: Allen Rogers <exhunter49@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 9:59 PM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
Cc: Hannah Rogers; Daniel T. Riley; ward@hubbellcommunications.com
Subject: Public Comment on the proposed Tesoro Savage Energy Terminal in Vancouver, WA

Categories: Comment, Blue Category

Dear Stephen Posner,

I had every intension of being at the public hearing on Oct. 28, but had to work late & missed it. Having dealt with "Global Warming" alarmists for years, I suspected the type of comments which might have been given and wanted to put in my two cents worth.

Modern society runs on inexpensive energy. We would not have developed into the great nation we are if it were not for cheap, readily available energy to run our factories, our cars, our planes and our homes. There are several very telling graphs showing the cost of energy and the relative income per person across the spectrum of very poor 'third world' countries to modern 'first world' countries.

The proposed Tesoro Savage Energy Distribution Terminal planned for Vancouver, helps us all maintain access to that vital inexpensive energy. It would be a shame for political activists, who have no real understanding of how energy is brought into their homes, to stand in the way of this terminal. They keep throwing out false claims about the burning of fossil fuels causing 'global warming', which is utter nonsense, when one really looks at the facts and data.

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By the way, CO2 is NOT a pollutant, but is VERY beneficial to plant growth and is not at all harmful to humans up to 8000-9000 parts per million. Mankind only emits about 4% of all CO2 released into the atmosphere – the rest is natural.

I for one do not want to spend as much on energy as I do on my mortgage.

Good luck with your proposal. I pray it is successful. If there is anything I can do to help, just let me know.

Regards,

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P.S. I have studied the "man-made global warming" issue for over 12 years now and have given several PowerPoint presentations about this issue in the local area to civic groups and a school.

From: Friends of the Columbia Gorge <Advocacy@GorgeFriends.org> on behalf of William Wishart <wwishart@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 31, 2013 9:04 AM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
Subject: Docket No. EF-131590 Application No. 2013-01 Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal Comments

Categories: Comment, Blue Category

Oct 31, 2013

Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council
WA

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Thank you for considering these comments and including them into the official record.

Sincerely,

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Subject: FW: Tesoro Savage App. No. 2013-01 Docket No. EF-131590
Attachments: TESORO-SAVAGE.L01.pdf

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Resent to corrected electronic address.

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Mr. Posner:

Please see the attached correspondence from attorney Mark A. Erikson, pertaining to the matter referenced above.

Thank you,

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Re: Determination of Significance Scoping Notice
Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal
Application No. 2013-01
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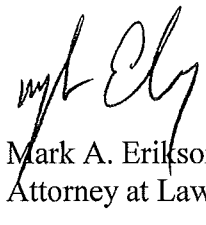

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Sent: Thursday, October 31, 2013 9:34 AM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
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From: Friends of the Columbia Gorge <Advocacy@GorgeFriends.org> on behalf of Carolyn williams <carolyn76@gmail.com>
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Docket EF-131590 Tesoro Savage CBR Scoping Comment #220

From: Howard Shapiro <howeird3@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 31, 2013 10:36 AM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
Subject: Tesoro oil terminal

Categories: Comment, Blue Category

I am against the approval of the Tesoro oil terminal in Vancouver. There have been over 750 leaks and spills in the U.S. so far this year from pipelines such as these. There has been little press coverage of these leaks for many reasons so the public is somewhat unaware of the negative impacts of these pipelines. http://www.treehugger.com/fossil-fuels/video-shows-every-oil-pipeline-spill-us-1986.html

The irrresponsible oil companies have been very slow to mitigate these spills. As a result there has been hundreds of acres of productive land that has been poisoned and rendered useless.

Are their any cleanup bonds or superfund allocations being required from the applicant as a condition for approval so Washington taxpayers do not have to finance eventual cleanup?

Because of the effects of these spills the health of many Americans has also been put at risk.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on this application.

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From: Friends of the Columbia Gorge <Advocacy@GorgeFriends.org> on behalf of Emilie Marlinghaus <emagen@bendbroadband.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 31, 2013 11:05 AM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
Subject: Docket No. EF-131590 Application No. 2013-01 Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal Comments

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WA

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From: borsope@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, October 31, 2013 11:52 AM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
Subject: Tesoro Savage Petroleum Terminal

Categories: Comment, Blue Category

My name is Pam Borso. I live in Custer WA.
I am greatly concerned about the long term effects on the water system that will result from so many more large vessels navigating the waters to get to the terminal in Vancouver.

Please study the impact of this increased traffic with regard to water, plant and animal populations and especially the invasive species brought.

Please study the impact and plans for any potential spills as a result of this increased vessel traffic.

Thank you,

Pam Borso
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From: Friends of the Columbia Gorge <Advocacy@GorgeFriends.org> on behalf of Walter frye <plymouth1940@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 31, 2013 1:05 PM
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From: Vernon Huffman <vernonhuffman@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 31, 2013 1:27 PM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
Subject: Tesoro Savage Petroleum Terminal

Categories: Comment, Blue Category

Dear Governor Inslee, Mr. Posner, and Washington EFSEC,

I urge you to assess the full impact of Tesoro Savage's proposal to ship 360,000 barrels of oil each day through Spokane, the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area, Vancouver and other Northwest communities. Oil-by-rail is a bad deal for Washington State. The project comes at a steep price for rail communities and the Columbia River, yet offers few jobs in return. Based on the far reaching impacts of this project, I urge you to deny Tesoro Savage's unprecedented proposal.

The public safety and environmental impacts of the state's largest pipeline-on-wheels proposal deserve close scrutiny. For example, EFSEC must assess:

•The potential impacts of a large train-related oil spill along the rail route in Washington and beyond.
•The transportation and public health impacts of additional unit train traffic through communities along the proposed oil-by-rail route. This includes evaluating emergency response capabilities in Vancouver, where oil trains would deliver and store oil, and other communities along the rail and shipping route.
•The increased risk of an oil tanker spill on Washington State waters and along the shipping route.
•The project's impact on climate change. This analysis should include climate change impacts from crude oil as well as tar sands oil from cradle to grave.

After carefully considering the safety, environmental, and climate risks associated with the project, I respectfully ask you to deny Tesoro Savage's application. Please seek testimony from James Hansen, NASA Climate Scientist, if you have any doubt the project must be denied. It will take courage and creativity to save humanity from extinction. Please exhibit those traits.

From: Steve Cheseborough <chezztone@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 31, 2013 2:26 PM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
Subject: Tesoro Savage Petroleum application

Categories: Comment, Blue Category

Thank you for taking public comment regarding the Tesoro Savage Petroleum proposal.
I urge you to recommend NO on this proposal.
I will not repeat the many excellent, well-researched and well-reasoned arguments against it that dozens of speakers made at the recent hearing at Clark College in Vancouver.
I will ask you to consider all those arguments, and to realize that those speakers all volunteered their time and effort to prepare speeches and attend the hearing. They spoke not out of any self-interest, but out of love and respect for the entire community and indeed the entire planet.
The people in favor of the proposal (although they did not speak at the hearing), on the other hand, want it only because they stand to make huge profits from it. They want the profits even at the cost of damaging the community, the river and the planet.
This is a clear case of the interests of the many vs the profits of the few. If government at any level, including your council, exists for any reason, certainly it is to protect the public from assaults by dangerous individuals.
Please act wisely and correctly in this matter. Thank you.
Steve Cheseborough
North Portland, OR

From: kibbey@kibbeyrock.com
Sent: Thursday, October 31, 2013 4:45 PM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
Subject: siting process for oil refinery in Vancouver

Categories: Comment, Blue Category

Please do not allow this pollution to happen to our city of Vancouver. I own a home on Lincoln Ave and Algona Dr. Both locations would experience devaluation of property to say nothing of toxic chemicals.

Thank you,
Kibbey Rock
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Vancouver, WA 98661

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From: Tom Nelson <tomnelson67@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 31, 2013 5:38 PM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
Subject: Vancouver Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council regarding the Tesoro Savage oil terminal plan.

Categories: Comment, Blue Category

Some of us have had the experience of having a brilliant idea too late. An idea that would have made a difference. I had that experience recently. I had gone to Gaiser Hall to listen to the testimony before the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council regarding the Tesoro Savage oil terminal plan. The idea that I had was, I wonder how many of the people who gave testimony against the proposed project voted for the legalizing of recreational marijuana? The spark that started this thought was the testimony of a red shirted speaker who I have seen in the past at Esther Short Park with a clipboard asking for signatures to bring this issue to the voters. I have talked to him on many occasions and am confident that he, along with the majority of voters in the state voted for the legalizing and the sale of marijuana. He was the eloquent speaker who stated in his speech that he is a science teacher. The moderator of the testimony asked that only hand signs be used to express approval or

disapproval of speakers testimony. This request was ignored on occasion when the testimony given was strongly approved as when. The red shirted science teacher's eloquent statement received a loud and boisterous applause. This led me to to the assumption that many people in the audience thought like him. I know that assumptions are often wrong! But my point is it appears to me that some people believe that smoking marijuana is an acceptable risk to your lungs and brain! An oil terminal is not?

I have heard that 99% of what we worry about never happens. I like this approach to life for the most part. The testimony by the red shirts at the hearing focused on the negative only. I do not believe that this is a healthy view of the risks we are all confronted with dally! I will never know how accurate my assumption is but I do know I will accept the risk of an oil terminal over the known risk of marijuana to lungs and brain. Possibly, those who cannot accept risk, should. I was going to suggest that they use marijuana to relax, but I cannot, nor will I, suggest the use of a known health hazard to lungs and brain! Risk of the unknown is something that we all have to deal with. Take off the red shirts and learn to relax, take a deep breath

of fresh air There is a lot of it!

A point of clarification is needed regarding my references to the redshirts. The anti progress people show up at these hearings dressed in red teeshirts. I am not sure why they chose the color red but I have a suspicion. I have been told several times by them that the teeshirts are made in America! I like that fact.

From: Friends of the Columbia Gorge <Advocacy@GorgeFriends.org> on behalf of Brian Mohr <somethingmohr@gmail.com>
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To: EFSEC (UTC)
Subject: Docket No. EF-131590 Application No. 2013-01 Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal Comments

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Oct 31, 2013

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Sent: Friday, November 01, 2013 6:06 AM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
Subject: Docket No. EF-131590 Application No. 2013-01 Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal Comments

Categories: Comment, Blue Category

Nov 1, 2013

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Sincerely,

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Tesoro Savage CBR
Scoping Comment
#230

Mr. Stephen Posner,
Interim Manager
EFSEC

October 31, 2013

I am neither in favor or against the proposed Tesor-Savage oil terminal but would like a complete analysis of the direct and indirect plus cumulative impacts.

Following are my comments on Port of Vancouver Tesor-Savage Terminal scoping. Please include in your analysis:

Port of Vancouver site:

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2. The effect of proposal on state listed sensitive and rare species and fish, game and nongame species. Direct, indirect and potential cumulative impacts to species and their habitat. Determine potential affect of oil spill on species.

3. The effect on historical cultural resources including use by native Americans, early explorers and settlers.

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Off site.

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Cummulative effect of this project

1. Proposed coal and oil train traffic to western Washington plus current rail traffic. How many trains will pass through communities in Washington and other locations and what would be the effect. What would need to be mitigated? What affect would trains have in delaying road traffic and would trains reduce air quality. Would there be increased risk of oil spills from use of Old DOT 111 tank cars that are not up to date? Would a sealant be used to keep coal dust from blowing off cars en route to reduce potential air quality degradation in combination with oil train movements. It assumed that sprayers would hose down the car dumpers with water that is then recycled to keep down dust at terminals.

2. Current ship and barge traffic (Grain, lumber, windmills) on lower Columbia plus ships and barge traffic from proposed coal terminal at Longview and near Rainer OR.

3. What affect would shipment of oil from the lower Columbia River have in adding to or changing CO2 output and other emissions globally. Is the oil from the port of Vancouver just replacing oil from other sources or is it additive?

Yours Truly

Floyd Gordon

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To: EFSEC (UTC)
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Docket EF-131590 Tesoro Savage CBR Scoping Comment #234

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To: EFSEC (UTC)
Subject: Scoping for oil terminal at the Port of Vancouver
Attachments: To.docx

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To : EFSEC process :

From: Thom McConathy Friends of the Vancouver Lake Lowlands
1017 NE 107 street, Vancouver, WA. 98685,
RE : Scoping for Savage energy oil shipping facility Proposed for the Port of Vancouver
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As of July of this year I contacted the Port and requested access as assured by this settlement and as of today 4 months latter I am still trying to reasonably visit the site without recourse to our original Attorneys even though regular inspection is allowed by our settlement.
The port is not open even though it is a public entity. We understand that issues of security are inherent in these facilities but some form of oversight for the public trust needs to be allowed for. DOE and the port have failed repeatedly with regard to Pacific Coast Shredder alone without taking into consideration the many other failings of these two agencies. Public inspection must be allowed.

To : EFSEC process :

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The Port allowed Pacific Coast Shredder for many years and multiple millions of gallons of highly Polluted Stormwater to pour untreated into the Columbia river from its trans shipping facility.

Only because I and other Water Stewards passing on the Columbia during a rain storm witnessed this highly polluted stormwater the color of dark urine pouring off the dock into the Columbia did we complain to the Port of Vancouver and The Washington Department of Ecology. We in effect were ignored and saw that both the Port and DOE would do nothing therefore we sought and found a collection of Clean water act Attorneys to represent us. Some 5 years ago we won this law suit and as a part of this settlement we were allowed to tour/inspect these facilities to assure ongoing compliance.

As of July of this year I contacted the Port and requested access as assured by this settlement and as of today 4 months latter I am still trying to reasonably visit the site without recourse to our original Attorneys even though regular inspection is allowed by our settlement.

The port is not open even though it is a public entity. We understand that issues of security are inherent in these facilities but some form of oversight for the public trust needs to be allowed for. DOE and the port have failed repeatedly with regard to Pacific Coast Shredder alone without taking into consideration the many other failings of these two agencies. Public inspection must be allowed.

Docket EF-131590 Tesoro Savage CBR Scoping Comment #235

From: Ken Rone <ken.rone@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 04, 2013 2:13 PM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
Cc: Bumpus, Sonia (UTC); gaudeamus@earthlink.net
Subject: Tesoro Savage Project,. Application No. 2013-01, Docket No. EF-I 3 15 90.

Categories: Comment, Blue Category

I am **Kenneth Rone.**

My address is:
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Vancouver WA, 98685

My request is to include in the Public Record these comments on the **EFSEC Scoping Document:**

NOISE: . The pubic crossing across the BNSF/UP/Amtrak corridor for the Felida Moorage (NW 123rd street) is 1700 feet from my house. My bedroom is 350 feet from the track. The UTC regulations require all trains to sound their horns approaching crossing. This regulation places the commencement of the horn signal adjacient to my property and that of my residential neighbors.The proposed project will cause a substantial increase in the number of trains sounding horn signals at this crossing.

For trains that approach public crossings at grade with engine in front, the signal starts not less than 15 seconds but not more than 20 seconds before reaching the crossing. If movement is 45 mph or greater, signal starts at or about the crossing sign, but not more than 1/4 mile before the crossing if there is no sign. The horn signal is prolonged or repeated until the engine completely occupies the crossing(s). While there are many sources of noise from trains (high-pitch screeching, idling engines; moving cars, etc.), horn sounding is the most significant. Federal rules governing the blowing of locomotive engine horns require that engineers of all trains sound horns for at least 15-20 seconds at **96-110 decibels** (dB) at all public crossings. Decibels in the range of 80-105 are labeled extremely loud, whereas those above 105 are dangerous. Decibels are logarithmic, meaning that 100 decibels is ten times as loud as 90, 110 decibels is ten times as loud as 100, and so on. While impacts to quality of life from repeated loud noise are self-evident, chronic noise exposure has proven adverse health effects, including impaired sleep and cognitive function, and cardiovascular effects. **To mitigate these effects the council is requested to direct the proponent to fund and implement "silent crossings" at all at grade crossings within Clark County where the "unit trains", loaded or unloaded, involved in supplying to the proponent's terminal will operate.**

GLARE: Facilities such as petroleum terminals, refineries, gravel pits, mines and grain silos are notorious for their careless use of area lighting. Engineers design for illumination levels of 100 lumens within all areas that employees COULD be expected to operate. The result is all lights remain on during all non-daylight hours. This practice not only wastes energy, it impacts the environmental balance (both for nocturnal and non nocturnal species) and the enjoyment of views, view corridors, and the outdoor and indoor enjoyment peaceful viewing. Operators seem to feel that if a light is provided, they are not doing their job if that light is not illuminated. I have been told this is for safety of the public and the employees. That premise is as ridiculous as the technology is obsolete. Engineers can easily design personnel motion detectors or RFID detectors to activate the lighting along the path

and in the area of human movement providing all employees the safe lighting mandated by OSHA (and other regulators) as the person conducts their work surrounded by a full halo of area lighting. Technology also provides "instant on" lighting (florescent or LED for example) that is energy efficient, eliminating their argument that lights need time to ramp-up to full luminosity. **The Council is requested to direct the proponent to install such instant-on technology using LED fixtures as a condition of the permit approval.**

PROPERTY VALUE: A new study examining Los Angeles neighborhoods supports the notion that home values decrease as nearby rail traffic increases at a rate can be calculated. Whereas property value is injured by the actions of the proponent, **the Council is requested to direct the proponent to compensate me for this illegal taking as guided by the study cited**. See http://econ.ucsd.edu/~mfutch/pdfs/FutchJMP2011.pdf

Kenneth Rone

Docket EF-131590 Tesoro Savage CBR Scoping Comment #236

From: Willis Cheryl <cherylwillis@earthlink.net>
Sent: Monday, November 04, 2013 5:58 PM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
Subject: Vancouver's existence

Categories: Comment, Blue Category

I am TOTALLY against the Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal.
I might be able to change my mind if we were talking about 500,000 jobs for the Vancouver citizens but we are talking about 150 jobs. Washington State should be concerned about protecting Vancouver's 170,000 citizens and not the money bags of two oil companies. The Northwest is Green: concerned about the quality of air, water, soil, animals and citizens. This project undermines our values and is a slap in our face just for the cooperations.
WAKE UP WASHINGTON STATE, remember who we are and avoid such a project with Tesoro Savage.
REMEMBER YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE WHEN THERE'S AN EXPLOSION AND THOUSANDS OF LIVES ARE AFFECTED!!!
Thank you,
Cheryl M. Willis
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Vancouver, WA 98664

From: desiree tullos <desiree.tullos@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 04, 2013 9:54 PM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
Subject: public comments regarding Tesoro Savage Energy Distribution Terminal
Attachments: Tesoro Savage export terminal comments_20131104.docx

Categories: Comment, Blue Category

Dear Mr. Posner,

Please see my attached comments regarding the Tesoro Savage Energy Distribution Terminal.

Thank you.

Warm regards,
Desirée

Stephen Posner, Interim EFSEC manager
Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council
PO Box 43172, 1300 S Evergreen Park Dr. SW
Olympia, WA 98504-3172

November 04, 2013

Dear Mr. Posner,

I am writing to offer strong opposition to the Tesoro Savage Energy Distribution Terminal proposed for Vancouver, WA. I am not writing on behalf of any group or organization, but instead as an engineer, a scientist, and a citizen with deep concerns regarding this facility. I have reviewed the materials available at the EFSEC website, and would like to highlight my key concerns regarding the environmental impacts associated with the project:

- An average of 360,000 barrels of crude oil will arrive every day from the Midwest. The carbon emissions associated with burning this large volume of oil will have important impacts on the climate, ecosystems, and liveability of the PNW.
- Crude oil received by rail will be unloaded on site, stored temporarily, then loaded onto marine vessels at the Project site. I worked at a rail yard when I was an engineering consultant on the East coast. I saw firsthand how these multiple transfers can lead to small, but regular spills that cumulatively can have measurable impacts on surface and groundwater quality. Furthermore, the increased potential for an accident during one of the transfers is a risk that we should not accept for the Columbia River.
- The site is large, at 41 acres and 38,500 linear feet of pipeline, and impacts sensitive areas, including the Columbia River waterway and offsite wetlands.
- Existing marine terminal must undergo in and overwater construction and modifications. While I expect that contractors will observe in-water work periods, the underwater construction can still generate significant and irreversible impacts to aquatic organisms and their habitat, as has been demonstrated at other projects.

Given that the lead agency determined that the project is likely to have a significant adverse impact on the environment, I hope you will reconsider any compromise. Directly, this project should not be permitted, as the risk and impacts to environmental and human health are large, unnecessary, and irreversible. Thank you for considering my comments.

Warm regards,
Desirée Tullos, Ph.D., PE
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Citizen of Benton County, Oregon
Associate Professor of Water Resources Engineering

From: Friends of the Columbia Gorge <Advocacy@GorgeFriends.org> on behalf of Jan Castle <jancastle@comcast.net>
Sent: Tuesday, November 05, 2013 12:54 PM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
Subject: Docket No. EF-131590 Application No. 2013-01 Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal Comments

Categories: Comment, Blue Category

Nov 5, 2013

Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council
WA

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Is there a need for this project? There is not. This proposal, in conjunction with other existing and pending oil terminals, would result in a glut of oil in the Northwest that would far exceed current consumption. Future consumption should be analyzed in the EIS; my understanding is that it is declining. There are alternative waterfront development opportunities that would create jobs and generate greater benefits for the local community.

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Surface Transportation Board has determined that coal dust is a "pernicious ballast foulant," weakening rail lines and resulting in derailments. The likelihood of oil train derailments, the likely effects on Gorge resources and the impacts on communities must be analyzed. Factored into the analysis should be the propensity for the DOT 111 cars, commonly in use for oil transport, to explode on derailment. Recent examples of this are last summer's derailment in Lac-Megantic, Ontario, last month's derailment in Alberta, and the 2009 derailment in Cherry Valley, Illinois.

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Thank you for considering these comments and including them into the official record.

Sincerely,

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From: Jacob V. Brown <jvbrown@princeton.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, November 05, 2013 1:46 PM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
Subject: Testimony regarding Tesoro/Savage scoping

Categories: Comment, Blue Category

To the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council
ATTN: Stephen Posner, interim EFSEC manager

My name is Vahid Brown, and I'm a long-time resident of Portland, OR and a PhD candidate at Princeton University. For five years I worked at the Combating Terrorism Center at West Point and am an internationally recognized expert on al-Qa'ida and international terrorism. I have also followed the science on climate change very closely since the 1990s. In my professional judgment, fossil fuel-driven climate change poses a far greater threat to Americans - and indeed to life on Earth - than al-Qa'ida or terrorism ever has or will. This proposed oil terminal itself represents a greater such threat.

The science regarding anthropogenic climate change is unequivocal. The level of unanimity in the scientific community that the climate is changing in perilous ways and that that change is driven first-and-foremost by our fossil fuel consumption is rare. Ninety-seven percent of the scientists who study these issues agree on these points. And the disastrous effects of climate change are not theoretical or looming in a distant future. The World Health Organization estimates that already climate change causes over 150 thousand deaths worldwide each year. Today there are already tens of millions of climate change refugees worldwide - people displaced by environmental dangers and disruptions due to climate change. According to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), by 2050 we will be counting climate refugees in the hundreds of millions. In Alaska, where the rate of warming has been twice that in the lower 48 states, 80 percent of Alaskan native communities are threatened with dispersal due to flooding and erosion caused by global warming. That's 184 American communities facing, right now, the loss of their homes, villages, and towns, many of which are already being evacuated, all because of the CO2 we are putting into the atmosphere.

The scientific community has also concluded that, already, fossil fuel-driven climate change is causing extreme weather events to be larger, more destructive, and more frequent. To cite one example of such climate change-fueled events, Hurricane Sandy killed at least 286 people. I was there, in central New Jersey at the time, in the epicenter of that storm, and can personally attest to the unprecedented devastation it wrought. Yet by contrast, in the 12 years since the 9/11 attacks, by my count around 40 people have been killed in the US in incidents that could be described as terrorism, using a very broad definition of that term. So a single extreme weather event, fueled by our continued expansion of CO2 emissions, killed about 7 times as many Americans as over a decade of terrorist attacks. Clearly, it is not terrorists we need to be worried about: it is the devastation brought about by our burning of fossil fuels, which this terminal would serve to vastly expand.

The proposed oil export terminal will reportedly have the capacity of putting 380,000 barrels of crude oil a day into the market to be burned. That's equivalent, according to the EPA's calculators, to just under 133 thousand tons of CO2 going into the atmosphere every day, from this facility alone. That's over 48 million tons of CO2 going into the atmosphere a year. That is a major and significant - and totally unacceptable - escalation of the greatest threat to life on earth that we face today. This is not hyperbole - it is a scientifically established fact. Any argument that says that the facility would not have a net effect on overall CO2 emissions - either because the oil would ultimately be exported by other means, or that the exported oil would simply be meeting present, static demand - is categorically absurd. In 2011 the International Energy Agency concluded that increasing CO2-intensive infrastructure lock-in "will be the single factor most likely to produce irreversible climate change." The Tesoro-Savage facility represents a massive widening of the aperture for global CO2 emissions, a "lock in" of new fossil fuel infrastructure that will significantly expand the annual carbon load in the atmosphere for years to come if it's allowed to be built.

And this is to say nothing of the very real risks of spills and accidents, of the contamination of the Columbia River and catastrophic impacts to its surrounding ecology. So, even if nothing goes wrong - and something always goes wrong - this terminal represents a dire threat to our community and to the world. It is a crime to provide material support to terrorist

groups. Permitting this terminal would be far worse. If you have children, as I do, and if you care about life on this planet, I urge you to do the right thing. Tell Governor Inslee to reject this proposed facility.

Sincerely,
J Vahid Brown
Portland, Oregon

From: Friends of the Columbia Gorge <Advocacy@GorgeFriends.org> on behalf of Judith Lienhard <lienjud@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 05, 2013 5:55 PM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
Subject: Docket No. EF-131590 Application No. 2013-01 Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal Comments

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Nov 5, 2013

Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council
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From: Friends of the Columbia Gorge <Advocacy@GorgeFriends.org> on behalf of Maxine Schwartz <blackkatz@comcast.net>
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Sincerely,

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Nov 5, 2013

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Sincerely,

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Nov 5, 2013

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Tesoro Savage CBR
Scoping Comment
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This is not merely a NIMBY issue, unless you consider the livability of the planet as such. We have to have the discipline to leave coal in the ground, to leave oil and natural gas where they belong, and not spread them around the Earth, and put them up into our damaged atmosphere. At some point, the good of the many (including the human future) has to outweigh short-term advantage to the few. Let's make that time right now.
Thank you for considering these comments and including them into the official record.

Sincerely,

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Nov 6, 2013

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Sent: Tuesday, November 05, 2013 10:25 PM
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RE: Tesoro-Savage Energy Distribution Terminal
Request for Extension of Time to File SEPA Scoping Comments

Dear Mr. Posner,

I am writing on behalf of Columbia Waterfront LLC to request that the Council extend the deadline for written comment on the scope of the required SEPA review for the Tesoro-Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal. We request an extension of 30 days in order to have sufficient time to review the more than 2,100 pages of material in the Application for a Site Certificate and appendices and make meaningful, informed comments on the proposal.

Columbia Waterfront LLC is the developer of a new waterfront community on the former Boise Cascade site in Vancouver, Washington located a little over 2 miles east of the proposed distribution terminal. The City of Vancouver approved the master plan for the new community in April 2010. The project includes up to 3,300 residential units, approximately 1 million square feet of office space and 400,000 square feet of retail space for restaurants, specialty shops and services, as well as a 7-acre park to help reconnect people to the Columbia River and a waterfront trail.

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[1] U.S. Energy Information Agency, Crude Oil Production Statistics, *available at*: http://www.eia.gov/todayinenergy/detail.cfm?id=10171 (indicating 7.505 million barrels of total U.S. production per day in August 2013).
[2] U.S. Census Bureau, Annual Estimates of the Population of Metropolitan and Metropolitan Statistical Areas: April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2012, *available at*: http://www.census.gov/popest/data/metro/totals/2012/.

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