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Dear Mr. Posner,

I am writing to urge you to reject the proposal for an oil export terminal at the Port of Vancouver. This proposal threatens the health and safety, and environmental health of the entire Pacific Northwest for little to no economic benefit for the people.

Ultimately, very few jobs would be created on the valuable port land that could be used for something else. Most of the money would go to large corporations. The benefit of cheap energy would be overseas, which would result in cheaper production in Asia, and more outsourcing.

In the United States, the net job effect could even be negative. This is why the oil export proposal is bad for our economy!

Repeated incidents have shown that oil trains aren't safe. Train derailments, oil spills, and explosions have all happened. A train similar to the oil trains that would roll through the Pacific Northwest exploded just this year in Quebec, killing dozens of people. Even more recently, a train derailed and exploded in Alabama. These aren't isolated incidents.

Oil trains are unhealthy and unsafe even excluding the potential for derailments and explosions. The large trains will emit large amounts of diesel pollution that is proven to lead to respiratory problems and cancer. Also, these trains are very long, so they would block traffic which could prevent access by emergency responders.

The review of this proposal must also take into account the environmental effects of the terminal throughout the whole process from oil extraction to oil consumption. First of all, hydraulic fracturing, which is the major method by which this oil would be extracted, is one of the most environmentally destructive practices in use today. The process uses vast quantities of fresh water laced with toxic chemicals and injects it into the ground to break apart rock and extract extra oil. This contaminates groundwater, destabilizes the ground, and creates large lagoons of toxic wastewater. Second, these oil trains emit tons of exhaust, as mentioned above, which can also have major negative environmental effects. Also, if one of these trains were to spill oil into the Columbia River or the Gorge, it would cause severe ecological damage to the river or the Scenic Area. Finally, the increased use of oil overseas will generate a great deal of pollution, some of which will return to our region. Studies have shown that 20% of pollution created in China returns to us. Do we really want to negatively affect our air quality for corporate profits?

These reasons and more illustrate why oil exports are a bad idea for Vancouver.

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Sincerely,

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Subject: Comment on Docket No. EF-131590, Application No. 2013-01

Nov 14, 2013

Mr. Stephen Posner
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Dear Mr. Posner,

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