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Dear Mr. Posner,

Please deny the permit to Tesoro Savage for the northwest terminal.

We may as well kiss goodbye all the visual, intrinsic values the magnificent Columbia Gorge represents, allow this dirtiest of oil to dominate the scene, pollute air, soil and water for short-gain profit. To wait for an accident to happen is ludicrous!

Either we come to our senses about energy now or leave our children and grandchildren a hot world where food and water shortages and climate disasters rule the day.

Sincerely

Nancy Leaper Tracy
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Portland, OR 97223

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Comment, November 16, 2013:

Docket No. EF-131590 Application No. 2013-01

Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal

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To members of the Washington Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council:

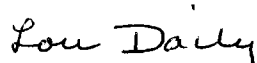
Until our Federal government forms an energy policy that will regulate the drilling and exporting of oil obtained by hydraulic fracturing in the United States, there should be no approval given to oil companies to use either pipe lines or rail lines to transport oil through our cities and environmentally sensitive regions for the purpose of exporting it overseas.

There are many other reasons to deny the Tesoro Savage application. I support the comments that have been submitted by Friends of the Columbia Gorge, Columbia Riverkeepers, and The Sierra Club.

Recently when traveling on I-5 from Vancouver to Portland, as I approached the bridge over the Columbia River I witnessed a train pulling oil tankers moving over the freeway on a railroad overpass. The thought of the disasters that could occur if Tesoro Savage receives permission to export oil by using our rail system to move oil from North Dakota and Montana to Vancouver is very disturbing. Furthermore, the EFSEC must take in consideration the possibility of environmental damage caused by oil spills from large ships carrying oil from Vancouver to Astoria on the Columbia River and then crossing the unpredictable Columbia River bar.

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

Sincerely,



Lou Daily

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PLEASE DO NOT BUILD THE OIL TERMINAL
IN VANCOUVER WA. I USED TO LIVE IN
OKLAHOMA AND SAW MANY AN OIL RIG, REFINERY
ETC. THE OIL COMPANIES SAY ONE THING
WHEN BUILDING PROPOSALS ARE MADE AND
PERMITS ARE SOUGHT BUT THE DAY-TO-DAY
LIVED REALITY AFTER THE OIL TERMINAL, RIG,
REFINERY ETC. IS UP AND RUNNING IS OFTEN
DEVASTATING TO HUMANS, TO COMMUNITIES, TO
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THE ENVIRONMENT — AND THAT IS BEFORE
AN "ACCIDENT!" QUALITY OF LIFE FOR PEOPLE &
BUSINESSES (THAT AREN'T OIL RELATED) GOES DOWN
AS "OIL PRODUCTION" GOES UP & PEOPLE & BUSINESSES
(AS A RESULT) LEAVE FOR LESS POLLUTED CLIMES. I MOVED
AWAY (FOR EXAMPLE) FROM OKLAHOMA WHERE OIL
FRACKING AND OTHER POLLUTION WAS CAUSING
EARTHQUAKES ... I DON'T WANT WASHINGTON TO
BE SIMILARLY DEVASTATED. NO OIL. PLEASE!
-SUE CLANCY

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Mr Stephen Posner

Energy Facilities Site Evaluation Council
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Olympia, WA 98504-3172

Dear Mr Posner,

I'm writing in opposition to the proposed oil terminal at Vancouver.

You surely have already heard all the environmental risks posed by such a facility + also of the appalling record of Tesoro at their other locations. It's truly frightening to contemplate the possible accidents that may befall our community should the terminal locate here. But even with a perfect operation the necessary costs we will bear are hardly worth the jobs that may be created. Many unwavering enterprises employ people but that hardly makes them desirable.

In addition to the terminal itself, I object to facilitating fracking since the terminal will handle Bakken field oil.

Please consider the consequences that may never be undone + do not allow Tesoro-Savages to degrade our home.

Yours truly,

(Mrs RH) Doris Meyers

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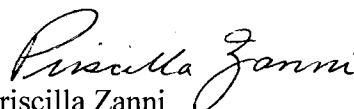
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Here are my comments about the **dangers of
crude oil being transported through Vancouver:**

Most of the world seems to be coming to the awareness and agreement that oil, coal, and natural gas are ruining our planet by contributing heavily to global warming. Therefore, I am strongly against crude oil moving by rail through Vancouver or anywhere else for that matter. Is dirty, it is dangerous, and its proliferation must be gradually squeezed to an end in the near future. But until other means of energy are in place, we may have to continue to use these dirty carbon fuels, on a very limited scale. The crude oil planned to come through Vancouver must be squeezed out because it is not from reserves, but from the continued growth and profit of the big corporations that continue to draw it from the earth. Its export to China and wherever else, will just serve to delay the development of alternate energy sources, such as: wind, solar, or geothermal.

**Any benefits from the transport of this crude oil through Washington State is for
SHORT-TERM benefits and LONG-TERM DISASTER.**



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Re: Scoping comment on the proposed oil terminal at Vancouver, WA

Dear Mr. Posner:

As a grandmother, my overriding concern about the Tesoro Savage proposal to export up to 360,000 barrels of crude oil each day from the Port of Vancouver, WA. is the carbon dioxide (Co2) which will be added to the atmosphere when the oil is ultimately burned. Wherever that oil is burned, it will spew tons of Co2 into the air, a greenhouse gas that will remain in the atmosphere for centuries – some of it for millennia. Despite the warnings of climate scientists, carbon dioxide emissions are still rising. The current emissions trajectory is putting the world on a path to warm between 4 degrees and 6 degrees Celsius above pre-industrial levels by the end of this century. Prominent climate scientists, like Kevin Anderson, warn us that humans may not be able to adapt to that degree of warming. That means that we do not know if humans will survive in such a climate. We do know that our food and water sources will be severely restricted by increased drought, floods, ocean acidification, changes to the Asian monsoon, and increasingly severe storms.

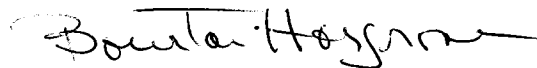
In Washington, we are already impacted by the climate crisis – ocean acidification is threatening our shellfish industry and threatens the survival of salmon and the other fish on which our economy and much of the world depends. In the latest report from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, the world's leading climate scientists officially called for an absolute upper limit on

greenhouse gas emissions to limit warming. To have a 66 percent chance of limiting warming to 2 degrees Celsius, beyond which scientists agree we will face catastrophic climate chaos, the world can't emit more than 800 to 1,000 gigatons of carbon, total. We have already emitted more than half of that amount. We cannot burn more than 10 percent of known fossil fuel reserves without pushing the climate over 2 degrees Celsius of warming.

I am requesting that in the EIS for the Tesoro Savage project you do a comprehensive study of the amount of Co2 which burning 360,000 barrels of oil a day will add each year to the greenhouse gases already in the atmosphere, and the cumulative amount of Co2 which will be added if that amount of oil is burned each year during the estimated life of the program. It is also important that you use peer-reviewed scientific literature to judge the effect that adding billions of tons of Co2 to the Co2 levels already in the atmosphere will have on the lives of Washington citizens.

I realize this is an enormous and difficult task. But we are faced with an unprecedented threat to the livability of our climate and the survival of civilization. We cannot add to that threat by burning more oil.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bourtai Hargrove". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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To Stephen Posner
interim EFSEC manager
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Olympia, Wa. 98504-3172

Dear Sir:

After reading an article in "The Columbian" newspaper regarding the proposed site for an oil terminal at the Port of Vancouver by the Tesoro Corp. and Savage Companies which plan to haul oil by rail, store it, and then move the crude into ships headed for refineries. Realizing that there is a move to promote this site because of economic gain to the city of Vancouver, I urge you to consider the toxic potential effect it could have on the air quality of the whole surrounding area. No amount of money can compensate the health effects this endeavor may have on the citizens of the city of Vancouver. I urge you to not recommend this proposal to Gov. Jay Inslee, in the interest of the health of this community. Thank you —

Ann J. Nickerson

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November 18, 2013

Dear Stephen Posner,

I urge you to deny the permit for the Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal.

The risk of oil spill, as evidenced in the recent accidents in Alabama and Québec, would endanger our natural areas including the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic area and Pacific Ocean along with the life within their ecosystems. The increase in rail construction would further threaten these delicate areas.

Increased noise pollution from the proposed frequency of rail and tanker traffic would threaten species already experiencing substantial disruption due to machine noise. Strong evidence points to the negative impact of noise pollution on the activity of songbirds, whales, and dolphins and the learning of human children.

Emissions from the proposed oil transfer terminal endanger public health. As a teacher, I have serious concerns about the increase in respiratory conditions in children related to changes in air quality.

Say, "NO" to the permit for the Tesoro Savage oil transfer terminal. Let's move on to projects that build cleaner, quieter, locally-based economic development projects that bring us closer to - not farther away from - fruition of the goals set forth by the Pacific Coast Plan on Climate and Energy.

Sincerely,



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Gary E. Wraspir, CPA

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Dear Council:

This letter is being written regarding the controversy over the unrefined oil transportation trains traveling through the State of Washington from Spokane to the Vancouver, WA proposed terminal.

I have two suggestions regarding this that may be acceptable to all parties: (1) Reduce train speed to 35 mph through the few towns along the route or (2) as a last resort, reduce the train speed entirely through Washington to 35mph or a speed agreeable to all parties.

In my younger years, age 8 through 22 I lived on a farm in the town of Irby in Lincoln County where we had steam engine and diesel powered trains on the Burlington Northern (Great Northern) run many trains a day within one-quarter mile of our house and we never had any accidents or fuel leakage problems that I can remember, so I don't think there is much chance of a major disaster with the unrefined oil trains.

I hope the above suggestions may be of help in making your decision. Everyone knows we need all the commerce and employment we can get to help pay more taxes of all kinds to our State Government that in the end will be a benefit to all Washington citizens.

Respectfully,

Gary E. Wraspir, CPA

Gary E. Wraspir

November 27, 2013
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Mr. Stephen Posner, interim EFSEC manager,
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Dear Sir:

I am a retired Railroad Conductor who worked in the Columbia Gorge for 35 years. This has allowed me to experience most all mishaps that occurred on a railroad.

The BNSF has well maintained the road-bed, they have safe operating crews and a good transport record. I believe that the speed for trains, that exceed 100 tons per operative brake, is 45 miles per hour.

This, however, gives rise to the question: How do you avoid the unexpected and unavoidable? Of course, you can't. You can only reduce the damage.

There are train-vehicle accidents, equipment failure, slides, washouts and rail sun-kinks. Known slide areas are protected by slide fences and signal indicators. However, I have experienced passing a "proceed" signal then the slide occurs and the fence, on occasion, will not hold the slide. This is not the norm, but it does happen. Rail sun-kinks seem to occur randomly when the temperature exceeds 90 degrees.

Tank cars 111-111A, which were constructed prior to October 1, 2011, have no head shields, skins of 11mm thick and have a proven failure rate in accidents. The volatility of the fracking crude has been demonstrated in Quebec and Alabama during recent derailments.

A speed restriction of 30 miles per hour with a train consist having tank cars 111 and 111A constructed prior to October 1, 2011, can reduce the environmental effects in a derailment. Though these tank cars comply with DOT Regulations, it does not reduce their known failure rate.

There are no restrictions that prevent Tesora-Savage from upgrading the tank cars to October 1, 2011 standards, to protect our environment.

I offer the enclosed information as another view to the EFSEC Board for their deliberations.

Very truly yours,



Wilfred J. Hudson

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From: Robert Gibb <rngibb@earthlink.net>
Sent: Saturday, November 30, 2013 9:15 AM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
Subject: Reference Application No. 2013-01/Docket No. EF-131590: Please reject the proposed Tesoro Savage oil export terminal project

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Thank you.

Robert Gibb

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Gregory Rouse

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From: Clifton Ware <warex001@umn.edu>
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Clifton Ware

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Thank you.

Kimberly Potter

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From: Wayne Goin <goinminion@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 30, 2013 9:15 AM
To: EFSEC (UTC)
Subject: Reference Application No. 2013-01/Docket No. EF-131590: Please reject the proposed Tesoro Savage oil export terminal project

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After carefully considering the safety, environmental, and climate risks associated with the project, I respectfully ask you to deny Tesoro Savage's application.

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