

**From:** Klaus Steinbrecher <kps@ksteinbrecher.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 9:13 AM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Reference Application No. 2013-01/Docket No. EF-131590: Please reject the proposed Tesoro Savage oil export terminal project

Dear Governor Inslee 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 the Columbia River. Oil-by-rail and export by ship is a bad deal for Washington State and the entire Northwest region. The project comes at a steep price for rail and river communities throughout the state and along 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.

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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.

Thank you.

Klaus Steinbrecher

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**From:** Saunders, Carie (caries@uidaho.edu) <caries@uidaho.edu>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 9:16 AM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Comments: Oil by rail in Washington state

Hello, as citizens of Palouse, WA and as very active fishing and kayaking recreationists, we are **totally against** the expansion of oil by rail in the Pacific Northwest.

Here in eastern Washington, we have extremely unique, fragile, crystal-clear rivers and some of the richest farming soils in the world.

Oil car trains should stay FAR AWAY from our beautiful, bountiful rivers (Spokane River, Palouse River, Columbia River, Snake River) and fragile soilbeds.

In Springtime, **we see firsthand when soils collapse and spills occur** frequently, but thankfully it's typically only been lumber or wheat.

All train routes run next to rivers in Washington state.

Therefore, these oil car trains **MUST** be routed further south into the dry deserts of Idaho and Oregon.

We must consider worst case scenarios of spills and explosions next to our rivers. **Any spill would be catastrophic to our ecosystem and our economy.**

These are very dangerous shipments and safety is critically important.

Since the risk is very high, and the return (jobs) is very low, we **DO NOT** support any toxic shipments along our rivers in Eastern WA.

Thank you,

**CARIE and CARL SAUNDERS**

265 S. Winfield  
Palouse, WA 99161  
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**From:** Mscott6315 <mscott6315@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 9:20 AM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Oil Terminal is a Negative

Please do not allow big oil companies to transport their oil through the beautiful and pristine Pacific Northwest. With the accidents that have occurred in Quebec and Alabama the Company does not have the capabilities and skill to avoid such accidents. In particular, the explosion in Alabama was to be the state of the art oil tankers. Guess state of the art means they look good, but don't function. I implore you to veto the transport of oil trains.

Sincerely,

Marise Scott  
1103 NE 89 Avenue  
Vancouver, WA 98664

**From:** Wendy Li <dumbobee@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 9:24 AM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
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Thank you.

Wendy Li

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**From:** Judith Marvin <judithmarvin@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 9:25 AM  
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Thank you.

Judith Marvin

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**From:** Anjanette Caron <anjanette\_caron@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 9:28 AM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
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Anjanette Caron

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**From:** Carolyn Price <zulu@q-cat.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 9:30 AM  
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Thank you.

Carolyn Price

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**From:** anita anderson <anita.anderson@philips.com>  
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Thank you.

anita anderson

**From:** William LaPoint <wlapoint@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 10:00 AM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** NO to oil by rail

I am against any more oil trains from State Line, Idaho thru Spokane because the tracks are over our sole source of drinking water. A major accident would be devastating to 500,000 people. Must be a better way to transport. I would go to the Spokane meeting on WED in Spokane but the first coal train meeting I went to in Spokane last year was a joke. Testimony was in favor of them because the unions controlled the meeting.

Bill LaPoint  
3104 W. Walton  
Spokane, WA 99205

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**From:** Laura Sternberg <laura.sternberg@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 10:15 AM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
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Thank you.

Laura Sternberg

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**From:** helena malawski <hmalawski@meriter.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 10:22 AM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
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Thank you.

helena malawski

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**From:** ken.sarnowski@ihg.com  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 10:30 AM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal

Dear Stephen Posner

I am a Business Man in Vancouver, Washington and am writing in support of the Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal. The proposed project will receive and ship North American crude oil to US refineries to offset or replace foreign imports and declining production in Alaska and California. This crude oil will be refined in US refineries to help meet the everyday needs of residents and businesses along the US West Coast – including those of the state of Washington. In short, it helps with America's energy security and will bring economic benefits and valuable jobs to our local communities.

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I am concerned that conducting a SEPA EIS that looks beyond site-based facility impacts is an overreach that could dilute the core focus on this facility and have a dampening effect on transportation of other commodities, such as agricultural products, which are vital to the economies of Vancouver, Clark County and the state of Washington.

This balanced approach is consistent with SEPA statutes and regulations and will protect the environment while also ensuring the state's ability to grow its economy. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,  
Ken Sarnowski

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**From:** Jim fichter <jrfedf@frontier.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 10:32 AM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
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Thank you.

Jim fichter

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**From:** O Rise <honeymotion@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 10:42 AM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
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Thank you.

O Rise

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**From:** hshuford@comcast.net  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 10:46 AM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Comments: permitting Oil Terminal Vancouver WA

Having lived one block from the fence separating our small SE TX community from the Magnolia Oil Company tank farm and dock facility on the Neches River, I have seen first hand what petroleum and oil product leaks, explosions, and fires can do to the neighborhood and community. When the oil leaked it was burned in very tall flares or on the ground. All refineries and chemical plants in the area used these flares to burn waste materials, which in turn dumped tons of ash, soot, and residue on the community. In the 1960's the state mandated pollution controls, however the flares still burn as this is the less expensive method of waste disposal. In the 1940's and 50's the companies also pumped polluted water and diluted chemicals into the Neches River.

I believe this facility will pose health and environmental problems to this community.

William H, Shuford  
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Vancouver, WA 98661

**From:** jennifer.b.minx@tsocorp.com  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 10:56 AM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal

Dear EFSEC Commissioners

I am a Tesoro employee and am writing in support of the Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal. As a Tesoro employee, I stand behind the company's commitment to safety and the environment. I have firsthand experience of how important safe, clean, and efficient operations are to Tesoro.

This terminal will also contribute to energy independence in the United States. Because of my job, I understand the market demand for moving crude oil to West Coast refineries. This terminal will make the transportation of crude oil from the Bakken and other regions more accessible and reduce the amount of crude U.S. refineries are currently forced to purchase from international sources. By allowing U.S. crude to move through a U.S. terminal to U.S. refineries, Tesoro and Savage are supporting U.S. energy independence and creating U.S. jobs.

I urge the committee to bear in mind the positive impact this terminal will have on the U.S. economy. As a Tesoro employee and an American job holder, my family depends on the strength of the oil and gas industry in the U.S. To keep this project moving forward on a schedule that will allow for its timely approval, please keep the scope of the SEPA environmental analysis purposefully focused on potential impacts from the proposed facility. The scope of the EIS must be limited to those potential impacts directly related to the facility design and operation. I ask that EFSEC consider the following site-specific impacts in preparation of the SEPA Environmental Impact Statement:

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Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,  
Jennifer Minx

**From:** Jason Berteotti <jester18@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 11:03 AM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
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Jason Berteotti

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Sincerely,  
Dennis Sallee

**From:** julie lacy <julielacy@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 11:11 AM  
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julie lacy

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Rick Weyen

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**From:** DAWN BRUBAKER <DBRUBAKER@DADEPAPER.COM>  
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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.

Thank you.

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**From:** Jeff Walton <jeff.walton@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 11:26 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.

Thank you.

Jeff Walton

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**From:** Elora Martines <elora.martines@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 11:35 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.

Thank you.

Elora Martines

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**From:** john cohen <jcohen22@verizn.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 11:45 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.

john cohen

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**From:** Yoko Silk <yokita@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 11:58 AM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Say NO to Tesoro Savage

Hi Stephen,

I am adding one more comment to the sea of opposition that you have heard and read in this extended comment period.

My message is simple, deny the permit for the Tesoro Savage project. Don't waste time.

If we were all being honest we would know that there would be no need to have an EIS at all, because really you already know that the impact of the oil terminal and all it's associated development is atrocious. It is harmful on all levels. Please do not turn the NW into a fossil fuel corridor by allowing passage of oil and coal on the Columbia, and by train along the river. Spills and accidents are not a question of "if" but rather "when." We can create jobs in clean energy, instead of furthering expansion of fossil fuel projects. Please make decisions that honor life and the land, and promote healthy local economies. Do not further the profits of destructive oil gas and coal corporations like Tesoro savage. Do not approve the permit for this project.

Thank you.

Yoko Silk

**JTC)**

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**From:** alaskahog@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 12:02 PM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal

Dear EFSEC Commissioners

I am a Tesoro employee from Texas and am writing in support of the Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal. As a Tesoro employee, I stand behind the company's commitment to safety and the environment. I have firsthand experience of how important safe, clean, and efficient operations are to Tesoro. Tesoro is a long term resident in the Port of Vancouver with an excellent safety and environmental performance record.

This terminal will also contribute to energy independence in the United States. Because of my job, I understand the market demand for moving crude oil to West Coast refineries. This terminal will make the transportation of crude oil from the Bakken and other regions more accessible and reduce the amount of crude U.S. refineries are currently forced to purchase from international sources. By allowing U.S. crude to move through a U.S. terminal to U.S. refineries, Tesoro and Savage are supporting U.S. energy independence and creating U.S. jobs.

I urge the committee to bear in mind the positive impact this terminal will have on the U.S. economy. As a Tesoro employee and an American job holder, my family depends on the strength of the oil and gas industry in the U.S. To keep this project moving forward on a schedule that will allow for its timely approval, please keep the scope of the SEPA environmental analysis purposefully focused on potential impacts from the proposed facility. The scope of the EIS should be limited to those potential impacts directly related to the facility design and operation. I ask that EFSEC consider the following site-specific impacts in preparation of the SEPA Environmental Impact Statement:

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I am concerned that conducting a SEPA EIS that looks beyond site-based facility impacts is an overreach that could dilute the core focus on this facility. This balanced approach is consistent with Washington's SEPA statutes and regulations and will protect the environment while also ensuring the state's ability to grow its economy.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,  
Greg Henderson

**JTC)**

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**From:** Stephen Lancaster <slancaster@alumni.lsu.edu>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 12:08 PM  
**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.

Thank you.

Stephen Lancaster

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**UTC)**

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**From:** C. Blewett <seabird1st@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 12:07 PM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** concerns over proposed oil transport via railway through Spokane

To whom it may concern:

I am writing in concern over the proposed transport of crude oil through Spokane and Spokane Valley. I urge you to reconsider this dangerous decision. The health and well being of the environment and the citizens of these communities is already compromised by many detrimental practices, and the addition of the transport of millions of barrels of crude oil being annually through this region will only exacerbate already poor air quality conditions, compromise the Spokane Aquifer with additional contaminants, pollute our waterways, lakes, streams, rivers, with spills that are certain to happen, and increase climate change further by the additional greenhouse gas pollution. We just had in November a dangerous inversion that trapped polluted air over the region for days, causing a health warning for those with respiratory issues to remain indoors. This is unacceptable to begin with, and this proposed action will be an enormous increase in pollutants to our air, and will only worsen the situation. One only has to look to the mining communities in the Appalachians to see that every schoolchild has an inhaler at the nurse's office to see the future of these dangerous practices.

Air and water are our life blood, as we are animals and have basic needs, otherwise our health and survival are in danger. Our rivers and aquifer are necessary for the function of all life! We need clean drinking water first and foremost, and can never take that for granted, yet already, all major metropolitan water supplies are tainted with pesticides, for example. Water supplies and our aquifer are shrinking. We have been warned that wars of the future will be fought over clean water, and yet we continue to treat our water as if it were inexhaustible and forever renewing. This cannot be understated, the water in this region is extremely critical. It is already overallocated, and most of our major waterways exceed the water quality requirements of the clean water act in one way or another, be it suspended sediments, dissolved oxygen, various pollutants, etc. We already over-use it for farming, for household consumption, industrial use, for recreation, for commerce, for electricity generation, what else can it be used for before the final straw and we push too far, past recovery and there is nothing left for us, nor for fish, waterfowl, other wildlife, and plants.

Please reconsider, and do not allow the proposed railway transport of crude oil through this sensitive region, in order to protect all the communities, and all life, that it would affect.

Respectfully,  
Christina Blewett, MSc.  
(509) 828-7257  
Spokane, WA

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**From:** Mark Daharsh <mdaharsh5@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 12:16 PM  
**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.

Thank you.

Mark Daharsh

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**From:** Maureen Fry <msfryohio@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 12:19 PM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
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Thank you.

Maureen Fry

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**From:** Shannon Stevens <indigoblueskye@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 12:20 PM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
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Thank you.

Shannon Stevens

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**From:** Zanaru Adamu <zmajesta@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 12:21 PM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
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Thank you.

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**From:** jill.m.saletta@tsocorp.com  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 12:23 PM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal

Dear EFSEC Commissioners

I am a Tesoro employee from Texas and am writing in support of the Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal. As a Tesoro employee, I stand behind the company's commitment to safety and the environment. I have firsthand experience of how important safe, clean, and efficient operations are to Tesoro.

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Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,  
Jill Saletta

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**From:** Sarah Olley <sarah\_olley@yahoo.co.uk>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 12:30 PM  
**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.

Sarah Olley

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**From:** Danial.s.cameron@tsocorp.com  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 12:43 PM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal

Dear EFSEC Commissioners

I am a Tesoro employee from Anacortes, Washington and am writing in support of the Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal. As a Tesoro employee, I stand behind the company's commitment to safety and the environment. I have firsthand experience of how important safe, clean, and efficient operations are to Tesoro.

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Dan

Sincerely,  
Dan Cameron

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**From:** Crisman Richards <crismanrichards@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 12:44 PM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
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Thank you.

Crisman Richards

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**From:** Flo Wilder <fwilder@gwi.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 12:46 PM  
**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.

Flo Wilder

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**From:** scott.w.keith@tsocorp.com  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 12:50 PM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal

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Sincerely,  
Scott Keith

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**From:** s.mike.johnson@tsocorp.com  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 12:57 PM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal

Dear EFSEC Commissioners

I am a Tesoro employee from Washington and am writing in support of the Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal. As a Tesoro employee, I stand behind the company's commitment to safety and the environment. I have firsthand experience of how important safe, clean, and efficient operations are to Tesoro.

This terminal will also contribute to energy independence in the United States. Because of my job, I understand the market demand for moving crude oil to West Coast refineries. This terminal will make the transportation of crude oil from the Bakken and other regions more accessible and reduce the amount of crude U.S. refineries are currently forced to purchase from international sources. By allowing U.S. crude to move through a U.S. terminal to U.S. refineries, Tesoro and Savage are supporting U.S. energy independence and creating U.S. jobs.

I urge the committee to bear in mind the positive impact this terminal will have on the U.S. economy. As a Tesoro employee and an American job holder, my family depends on the strength of the oil and gas industry in the U.S. To keep this project moving forward on a schedule that will allow for its timely approval, please keep the scope of the SEPA environmental analysis purposefully focused on potential impacts from the proposed facility. The scope of the EIS must be limited to those potential impacts directly related to the facility design and operation. I ask that EFSEC consider the following site-specific impacts in preparation of the SEPA Environmental Impact Statement:

- Spill prevention and spill response requirements that protect the environment
- Ability to comply with state and federal air quality emission standards
- Impact of the facility on local transportation infrastructure and public services
- Facility design that meets all relevant safety standards

I am concerned that conducting a SEPA EIS that looks beyond site-based facility impacts is an overreach that could dilute the core focus on this facility. This balanced approach is consistent with Washington's SEPA statutes and regulations and will protect the environment while also ensuring the state's ability to grow its economy.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,  
Mike Johnson

Tesoro Savage CBR  
Scoping Comment  
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**From:** Tom Ehrlichman Center for Salish Community Strategies <tom@salishcommunity.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 12:57 PM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Tesoro Savage Mailing list

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**From:** arthur.w.spanski@tsocorp.com  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 12:58 PM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal

Dear EFSEC Commissioners

I am a Tesoro employee from Washington and am writing in support of the Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal. As a Tesoro employee, I stand behind the company's commitment to safety and the environment. I have firsthand experience of how important safe, clean, and efficient operations are to Tesoro.

This terminal will also contribute to energy independence in the United States. Because of my job, I understand the market demand for moving crude oil to West Coast refineries. This terminal will make the transportation of crude oil from the Bakken and other regions more accessible and reduce the amount of crude U.S. refineries are currently forced to purchase from international sources. By allowing U.S. crude to move through a U.S. terminal to U.S. refineries, Tesoro and Savage are supporting U.S. energy independence and creating U.S. jobs.

I urge the committee to bear in mind the positive impact this terminal will have on the U.S. economy. As a Tesoro employee and an American job holder, my family depends on the strength of the oil and gas industry in the U.S. To keep this project moving forward on a schedule that will allow for its timely approval, please keep the scope of the SEPA environmental analysis purposefully focused on potential impacts from the proposed facility. The scope of the EIS must be limited to those potential impacts directly related to the facility design and operation. I ask that EFSEC consider the following site-specific impacts in preparation of the SEPA Environmental Impact Statement:

- Spill prevention and spill response requirements that protect the environment
- Ability to comply with state and federal air quality emission standards
- Impact of the facility on local transportation infrastructure and public services
- Facility design that meets all relevant safety standards

I am concerned that conducting a SEPA EIS that looks beyond site-based facility impacts is an overreach that could dilute the core focus on this facility. This balanced approach is consistent with Washington's SEPA statutes and regulations and will protect the environment while also ensuring the state's ability to grow its economy.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,  
Arthur Spanski

**From:** rplumer@uskh.com  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 1:02 PM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal

Dear Stephen Posner

Dear Mr. Posner,

I am a Professional Engineer licensed and employed in the State of Washington and am writing in support of the Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal. The proposed project will receive and ship North American crude oil to US refineries to offset or replace foreign imports and declining production in Alaska and California. This crude oil will be refined in US refineries to help meet the everyday needs of residents and businesses along the US West Coast – including those of the state of Washington. In short, it helps with America's energy security and will economic benefits and valuable jobs to our local communities.

As an engineer who specializes in water quality, oil spill prevention and response planning, and environmental compliance assistance, I firmly believe the safety and environmental reviews are extremely important and will help ensure that this project is done safely and responsibly. As such, I would request that the scope of the SEPA environmental analysis be purposefully focused on potential impacts from the proposed facility. The proposed scope of the EIS is far-fetched and must be scaled down to those potential impacts directly related to the facility design and operation. I ask that EFSEC consider the following site-specific impacts in preparation of the SEPA Environmental Impact Statement:

- Risks caused by earthquakes
- Spill prevention and spill response requirements that protect the environment
- Ability to comply with state and federal air quality emission standards
- Protection of Columbia River water quality and fish and wildlife resources
- Impact of the facility on local transportation infrastructure and public services
- Facility design that meets all relevant safety standards

I am deeply concerned that conducting a SEPA EIS that looks beyond site-based facility impacts is an unauthorized overreach that could dilute the core focus on this facility and have a dampening effect on transportation of other commodities, such as agricultural products, which are vital to the economies of Spokane, Vancouver, and the State of Washington.

This balanced approach is consistent with SEPA statutes and regulations and will protect the environment while also ensuring the state's ability to grow its economy. Thank you for considering my comments.

Raymond E. Plummer III, P.E.

Sincerely,  
Raymond Plummer III

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**From:** michael.j.mcclure@tsocorp.com  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 1:08 PM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal

Dear EFSEC Commissioners

I am a Tesoro employee from Anacortes, Washington and I am writing in support of the Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal. As a Tesoro employee, I stand behind the company's commitment to safety and the environment. I have firsthand experience of how important safe, clean, and efficient operations are to Tesoro.

This terminal will also contribute to energy independence in the United States. Because of my job, I understand the market demand for moving crude oil to West Coast refineries. This terminal will make the transportation of crude oil from the Bakken and other regions more accessible and reduce the amount of crude U.S. refineries are currently forced to purchase from international sources. By allowing U.S. crude to move through a U.S. terminal to U.S. refineries, Tesoro and Savage are supporting U.S. energy independence and creating U.S. jobs.

I urge the committee to bear in mind the positive impact this terminal will have on the U.S. economy. As a Tesoro employee and an American job holder, my family depends on the strength of the oil and gas industry in the U.S. To keep this project moving forward on a schedule that will allow for its timely approval, please keep the scope of the SEPA environmental analysis purposefully focused on potential impacts from the proposed facility. The scope of the EIS must be limited to those potential impacts directly related to the facility design and operation. I ask that EFSEC consider the following site-specific impacts in preparation of the SEPA Environmental Impact Statement:

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Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,  
Michael McClure

Tesoro Savage CBR  
Scoping Comment  
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**From:** Susanna Weil <susweil@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 1:12 PM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Reference Application No. 2013-01/Docket No. EF-131590: Please reject the proposed Tesoro Savage oil export terminal project

Dear Governor Inslee 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 the Columbia River. Oil-by-rail and export by ship is a bad deal for Washington State and the entire Northwest region. The project comes at a steep price for rail and river communities throughout the state and along 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.

Thank you.

Susanna Weil

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**From:** michael.j.alleyn@tsocorp.com  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 1:13 PM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal

Dear EFSEC Commissioners

I am a Tesoro employee from Vancouver Washington and am writing in support of the Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal. As a Tesoro employee, I stand behind the company's commitment to safety and the environment. I have firsthand experience of how important safe, clean, and efficient operations are to Tesoro.

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Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,  
Michael Alleyn

**From:** Gjorgji Dzolev <dzolev@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 1:15 PM  
**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.

Thank you.

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**From:** Robert Buchanan <amilistumph@hushmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 1:15 PM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
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Thank you.

Robert Buchanan

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Gjorgji Dzolev

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**From:** ted.harris@ch2m.com  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 1:15 PM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal

Dear Stephen Posner

I am a resident of Washington and am writing in support of the Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal. The proposed project will receive and ship North American crude oil to US refineries to offset or replace foreign imports and declining production in Alaska and California. This crude oil will be refined in US refineries to help meet the everyday needs of residents and businesses along the US West Coast – including those of the state of Washington. In short, it helps with America's energy security and will bring economic benefits and valuable jobs to our local communities.

As a resident, I believe the safety and environmental reviews are extremely important and will help ensure that this is done safely and responsibly. As such, I would request that the scope of the SEPA environmental analysis be purposefully focused on potential impacts from the proposed facility. The scope of the EIS must be limited to those potential impacts directly related to the facility design and operation. I ask that EFSEC consider the following site-specific impacts in preparation of the SEPA Environmental Impact Statement:

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I am concerned that conducting a SEPA EIS that looks beyond site-based facility impacts is an overreach that could dilute the core focus on this facility and have a dampening effect on transportation of other commodities, such as agricultural products, which are vital to the economies of Vancouver, Clark County and the state of Washington.

This balanced approach is consistent with SEPA statutes and regulations and will protect the environment while also ensuring the state's ability to grow its economy. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,  
Ted Harris