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To: Anderson, Susan

Subject: Pembina's LPG terminal proposal

Dear Commissioner Anderson,

In view of the Presidents Climate Action Award and because I, like most Portland residents are concerned with our and our families health and safety and the health and safety of our city I respectfully request that the Planning and Sustainability Commission request denial of any and all permits requested for this terminal.

Propane is a dangerous fuel because it is invisible and is heavier than air and sinks to the ground where it cannot be detected by smell (even when odorized) until it's too late. It flows along the ground like water and can get into enclosed unventilated areas. Sniffers do work most of the time but in case of a power loss they also don't function. Any small spark can cause a massive explosion in the presence of an undetected propane leak and can cause millions of dollars of property damage and loss of life in an instant. I have worked with smaller amounts of propane and have witnessed it's explosive power. Propane in the amounts that this terminal proposes shouldn't be stored or shipped anywhere near a populated area.

No matter how many jobs and how much income to the port or city Pembina promises it is not worth the dangers and shipping congestion this terminal will cause to Portland.

I am a past member of the Lane County Planning Commission and don't know if your commission is a recommending body, as we were, or a decision making body but it is important to the safety and commerce of our city that this proposal be denied any necessary permits.

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