

## **APPROVED, as amended, February 12, 2015:**

### **HINooN Board Opposes Pembina Propane Proposal Process**

**A. The Hayden Island Neighborhood Network (HINooN) Board of Directors recognizes the entire Hayden Island community is impacted by the siting and operation of the proposed Pembina Propane Terminal and Tanks at Terminal 6. As a consequence, we are deeply concerned about this public review process for these three reasons:**

1. There is no indication from the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability (BPS) that the community will have an adequate opportunity to conduct a comprehensive review of this proposal, and an adequate time to respond;
2. Further, basic information regarding issues of fundamental concern to the community, such as site-related earthquake faults and fissures, holding tank construction specs, safety during storage and transport, and blast zones from a catastrophic event have not been made available to the general public by Pembina, BPS, or the Port, all during the last nine months;
3. Finally, the City has not invited a diversity of experts to testify on the following issues of this proposed project:
  - a) site suitability,
  - b) construction adequacy,
  - c) storage safety,
  - d) transport security, and
  - e) related major issues, to provide qualified testimony at the final public hearing on March 17<sup>th</sup>.

**B. Given the inadequacy of valid and reliable information to the general public through this whole process concerning this massive proposed propane facility, and the lack of adequate time for its study and our response, we respectfully recommend, by an affirmative vote of the HINooN Board, the following:**

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1. Invite a diverse panel of independent experts to provide scientific research data and interpretation on the proposed site, construction, storage, transport, and related issues of great concern to this community;
2. Provide a complete package of proposal information to the public 30 days prior to the March 17<sup>th</sup> public hearing (five days from now) to be available for public review;
3. Besides technical siting, construction, and handling experts invited to provide expert testimony, other guests should be invited to provide testimony from the following constituencies:
  - a) residents of Hayden Island, North Portland, and Vancouver;
  - b) seismologists, geologists, and emergency preparedness specialists;
  - c) marine-based businesses, transporters, and their insurance carriers within the projected five-mile blast zone of Terminal 6;
  - d) Native American Tribes whose treaty rights that protect Columbia River fish will be severely violated by a propane catastrophe; and,
  - e) both environmental protection groups and fossil fuels opponents;
4. Should any part of these recommendations not be feasible and provided by the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability, then please postpone the March 17<sup>th</sup> public hearing until all of them are fully met.

Respectfully submitted,

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