

February 20, 2015

Portland Planning and Sustainability Commission
1900 SW 4th Ave, Suite 7100
Portland, OR 97201



Re: March 17, 2015 meeting on Zoning Code Amendment for Hazardous Substances in the Environmental Overlay Zone

Dear Portland Planning and Sustainability Commission:

At the January 15th meeting of the Arbor Lodge Neighborhood Association, our board voted to express opposition to the proposed zoning code amendment to allow hazardous materials to travel through the environmental overlay zone. We demand a public hearing take place here in North Portland, during evening hours, near the communities that will be most affected by this amendment. If you are amenable to such a meeting, we would be willing partners in arranging a space and date for the meeting.

The purpose of an Environmental Overlay Zone should be to protect both the people and the natural areas of Portland. By allowing Pembina to ship propane out of the Port of Portland, you will be exposing North Portland communities to increased rail traffic that has a propensity to explode. We urge you not to enable a dangerous and dirty industry to profit at our expense.

Local municipalities across the Pacific Northwest are safeguarding the communities they serve by halting new fossil fuel projects. Please join them on the right side of history by preventing this project.

We look forward to your response regarding our request for a hearing in North Portland.

Thank you for your time,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian Duncan", is written over the typed name.

Brian Duncan
Chairman of the Board of Arbor Lodge Neighborhood Association

cc:
Tom Griffin-Valade, North Portland Neighborhood Services