City of Portland March 16, 2015

Planning and Sustainability Council

1900 SW 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue

Portland, OR 97201

Dear members of the Planning and Sustainability Council,

As members of the Piedmont Neighborhood Association, we have many concerns about the proposed Pembina Pipeline Company's propane export facility at the Port of Portland's Terminal 6 along the Columbia River.

We are concerned about the environmental impacts of this propane export facility, including the extensive carbon dioxide emissions, as this facility is projected to be one of the largest electricity users in Portland, the use of a large plot of riverfront land to create relatively few local jobs and the frequent shut down of one of Portland's most active waterways in order to create a security zone around ships docked at the facility. We are concerned that development of this facility will lead to future expansion and use of limited industrial lands for global energy exports.

As the environmental risks associated with this facility have not been analyzed, we are concerned about the risk of potential impacts of an explosion in the midst of some of Portland's most valuable assets with Smith and Bybee Lakes just to the south and the Columbia River and West Hayden Island immediately to the north.

With many more concerns to be considered, including impacts to air quality and risks presented to local houseboat and manufactured home communities, we stand with many environmental organizations and concerned citizens in urging the City of Portland to turn down the environmental zone amendments that would allow this project to move forward.

Sincerely,

**Piedmont Neighborhood Association** 

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