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To: Portland Planning and Sustainability Commission
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Re: Proposed Pembina Propane Terminal

I am unable to attend the April 7th hearing regarding the request to make a zoning change and allow the proposed Pembina Propane Terminal. I attended the last Planning and Sustainability Commission meetings and my concerns over the proposed terminal were not alleviated. Recent train derailments have shown that transporting volatile fuels by rail is not safe. I do not want to see propane transported through our Portland neighborhoods or through conservation zones. I am concerned not only because of the risk of explosions in the transportation of propane but also in the storage of the propane. The propane itself will not benefit Portland but will merely be stored and shipped to Asia. Storage of propane in pressurized storage tanks close to the river and Hayden Island, and North and North East Portland Neighborhoods, near schools and homes, will put our environment and our community at risk. Propane, a byproduct of dirty, polluting, natural gas fracking only adds to greenhouse gas emissions. As a leader in climate change Portland should say no to Ambre Energy and this facility and deny the request for a zoning change. I urge the Portland Planning and Sustainability Commission to vote no on the Pembina terminal and also urge Mayor Charlie Hayles and the Portland City Council to support this no vote.

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