

Dear Members of the Portland Planning and Sustainability Commission,

I will be unable to attend the upcoming hearing concerning the the proposed propane export terminal, and am therefore offering my testimony be email.

Please know that I would be saddened and embarrassed to learn that Portland would approve a proposal for the Pembina Pipeline Corporation to bring its propane into Portland by rail, process it, and then ship it off to export markets through the Columbia River. It would be hypocritical for a city with such a strong history of commitment to the environment, both in practice and rhetoric, to entertain such an idea. I fear less the dangers of local fire and pollution than the idea of growing our world's dependence on fossil fuels at a time when it is critical that we do the opposite.

I do hope (and actually anticipate!) that your vision for Portland's continuing growth is the same as mine: a vision that does not provide only immediate enrichment, but a vision that we can be proud of for generations to come.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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