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Subject: PSC Fossil Fuel Zoning Testimony

Dear Sir:

Thank you for passing a historic resolution to “actively oppose expansion of infrastructure whose primary purpose is transporting fossil fuels in or through Portland or adjacent waterways”.

Please amend your proposed draft to reflect the city’s fossil fuel goals and remain steadfast in your commitment to prohibit dirty fossil fuel projects:

1. Enact a full ban on all new fossil fuel terminals, large or small. An exception for new facilities that are 5 million gallons or less is unnecessary. The City’s code changes should not allow more unit trains of dangerous fossil fuels like Bakken crude oil.
2. Strengthen restrictions on expansions allowed at existing terminals by adding binding limits as well as criteria for safety and climate impacts in the City’s non-conforming use review process.
3. Prevent any aggregate increase in fossil fuel infrastructure in Portland.

The proposed expansion would negatively impact Portland, the Columbia River, the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area, and four National Wildlife Refuges (Steigerwald Lake, Franz Lake, Pierce, and Ridgefield), of which I was on the management team for over 25 years.

Please assist in stopping the development of those fossil fuel infrastructures that would negatively impact these extremely valuable and non-replaceable resources.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

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