

BEFORE THE STATE OF WASHINGTON  
ENERGY FACILITY SITE EVALUATION COUNCIL

In the Matter of  
Application No. 2013-01

TESORO SAVAGE, LLC

VANCOUVER ENERGY DISTRIBUTION  
TERMINAL

CASE NO. 15-001

TRIBAL PARTIES' RESPONSE TO  
APPLICANT'S PROCEDURAL  
OBJECTIONS

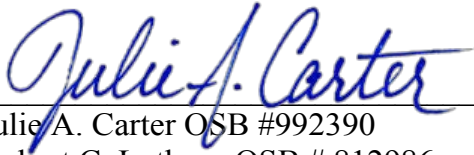
The Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation, the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, and the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission file this response to Applicant Tesoro-Savage Petroleum Terminal LLC's , d/b/a Vancouver Energy ("Vancouver Energy") procedural objections. In summary, the objections filed by Vancouver Energy regarding appearance of fairness, improper *ex parte* communications, and EFSEC's decision-making authority are premature, based on only innuendo, and not substantiated by probative evidence.

Furthermore, Vancouver Energy's assertion that the separate office of Counsel for the Environment has any connection with the members of the Attorney General's Office referenced by Chairman Lynch in his letter is unsupported by the evidence presented.

We concur in the positions and reasoning set forth by Intervenors Columbia Riverkeeper *et al*, in their Response to Applicant's Procedural Objection, and likewise, we preserve our rights to respond as information becomes available.

Dated this 27th day of September, 2017.

Respectfully Submitted,



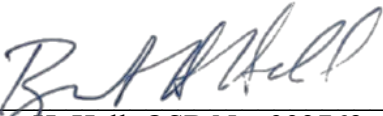
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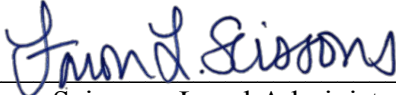
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