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With proposals like this one, we don't need terrorists to destroy our way of life. I'm sure the people of Lac Mégantic, Quebec didn't feel any different last July than the people of lower Manhattan felt on September 11, 2001.

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The Columbia River Gorge is a treasure and needs to be protected. This project places it at risk.

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Sincerely,

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Sent: Tuesday, November 05, 2013 9:25 PM
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Nov 5, 2013

Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council
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The Columbia River Gorge is under assault on several fronts: gambling casino, Nestle, resort development, coal terminals/ transport and now Tesoro Oil wants to do their share with their oil tankers. The potential damage to the Gorge and ecosystem is mind boggling. These assaults must be stopped.

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Nov 5, 2013

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This is not merely a NIMBY issue, unless you consider the livability of the planet as such. We have to have the discipline to leave coal in the ground, to leave oil and natural gas where they belong, and not spread them around the Earth, and put them up into our damaged atmosphere. At some point, the good of the many (including the human future) has to outweigh short-term advantage to the few. Let's make that time right now.

Thank you for considering these comments and including them into the official record.

Sincerely,

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From: Friends of the Columbia Gorge <Advocacy@GorgeFriends.org> on behalf of Walt Mintkeski <mintkeski@juno.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 05, 2013 10:25 PM
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Nov 6, 2013

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To: EFSEC (UTC)
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November 6, 2013

Via email and U.S. Mail

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RE: Tesoro-Savage Energy Distribution Terminal
Request for Extension of Time to File SEPA Scoping Comments

Dear Mr. Posner,

I am writing on behalf of Columbia Waterfront LLC to request that the Council extend the deadline for written comment on the scope of the required SEPA review for the Tesoro-Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal. We request an extension of 30 days in order to have sufficient time to review the more than 2,100 pages of material in the Application for a Site Certificate and appendices and make meaningful, informed comments on the proposal.

Columbia Waterfront LLC is the developer of a new waterfront community on the former Boise Cascade site in Vancouver, Washington located a little over 2 miles east of the proposed distribution terminal. The City of Vancouver approved the master plan for the new community in April 2010. The project includes up to 3,300 residential units, approximately 1 million square feet of office space and 400,000 square feet of retail space for restaurants, specialty shops and services, as well as a 7-acre park to help reconnect people to the Columbia River and a waterfront trail.

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¹ U.S. Energy Information Agency, Crude Oil Production Statistics, *available at*: <http://www.eia.gov/todayinenergy/detail.cfm?id=10171> (indicating 7.505 million barrels of total U.S. production per day in August 2013).

² U.S. Census Bureau, Annual Estimates of the Population of Metropolitan and Metropolitan Statistical Areas: April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2012, *available at*: <http://www.census.gov/popest/data/metro/totals/2012/>.

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Thank you for your consideration of this request

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Linda R. Larson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Linda R. Larson

cc: via email to efsec@utc.wa.gov
Barry Cain, Columbia Waterfront LLC

From: Friends of the Columbia Gorge <Advocacy@GorgeFriends.org> on behalf of Carol Taylor <cataylor02000@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 06, 2013 5:56 AM
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from ARCTIC DREAMS by Barry Lopez

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At this time all error is possible and continues in the attempt to supply the world of China with what they don't need.

Leave what you are doing until which time a technology can produce achievement healthy for the spirit of earth and human kind. That time is not now.

Sincerely,

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