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**Sent:** Friday, November 15, 2013 2:28 PM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
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Nov 15, 2013

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Olympia, WA 98504-3172

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**From:** Lee Rafferty <director@vdausa.org>  
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**Subject:** Weighing in on the Tesoro lease with the Port of Vancouver  
**Attachments:** oil terminal letterhead.docx

**Categories:** Green

Hello, Mr. Posner. Please consider the attached letter when evaluating the proposed oil terminal near downtown Vancouver, Washington. While our board of directors is not taking a pro or con stance, we do have concerns.

Thanks for your consideration.  
Lee Rafferty

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November 12, 2013

Mr. Stephen Posner, interim EFSEC manager,  
Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council,  
P.O. Box 43172,  
1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W.  
Olympia, WA 98504-3172.

Dear Mr Posner:

We are the board of Vancouver's Downtown Association. Our work is laser focused on the vitality of our city's downtown core. We have advocated for the things that would make our downtown stronger. We have opposed the things that would make it harder to live, work, and invest in our downtown. Our core mission is to do those things that will help our city center become an even stronger economic driver in our region.

We understand that the EFSEC comment period regarding the matter of oil being shipped to and from the Port of Vancouver has been extended to December 18, 2013. Our board has taken no formal position on this issue.

Here's what we DO want to ask: Please look at our downtown as a place that you might be considering an investment, a vacation, or as a potential hometown. That's what VDA does every day. We ask that you carefully consider the impacts your decision will make on our community and neighborhoods. We ask that you be careful about the odors, the potential chemical environmental impacts, and the safety of the operation. One of our major programs for positive change is the 'Clean and Safe: A Tool For Revitalization' project. It is a litmus test for a number of our decisions.

Very passionate and well-informed people are on opposite sides of this issue. Vancouver's Downtown Association lands on the side of 'please do no harm' to our downtown that will alter its prospects for a vibrant, healthy future. If you would like to learn more about our work and our passion for this special place, go to [www.vdausa.org](http://www.vdausa.org)

This difficult decision falls ultimately to you. We appreciate the gravity and the stakes of this for this topic on you as a decision maker. And, we urge you to look at it through the lens of Downtown Vancouver's stakeholders.

Respectfully,  
*Lee Rafferty*

Lee Rafferty  
Executive Director  
Vancouver's Downtown Association

**From:** Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Lloyd & Elizabeth Taylor <emtseattle@gmail.com>  
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**Cc:** Sandy and Erskine Wood; Joyce and Jim Tobias and Chiappetta; Robin Engle  
**Subject:** Proposed Oil Terminal Port Development, Albina Asphalt Plant Expansion, Columbian articles Nov 14, 2013

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Burlington Northern loves the easy grade and low cost of bringing all sorts of cargo through the Columbia River Gorge and into Vancouver and beyond. The Port Commissioners are doing their job when they explore every opportunity to expand business at the Port. That said, we believe that they should look through a wider lens to get the full picture. The proposed Tesoro Oil Transfer site poses serious risks to many thousands of neighbors all along the route.

1. Consider that 47 residents (including a 4 year old child) in Lac Megantec, Canada were incinerated in their beds by the exact same type of oil in July 2013. All for lack of a set safety brake.
2. Consider that two Washington oil terminals have just had their permits reversed for "failure to address public safety and environmental issues".
3. Consider that when combined with proposed Albina Asphalt tanks and plant, the remaining hazardous chemical combination, after all possible filters have worked perfectly, is supposed to "scatter in the wind" according to Tesoro's "environmental consultant". The wind? Really? Two different proposals, two different decision makers but their properties are located in the same place and their "air combines".
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9. Consider whether, when we voted for unopposed Port Commissioners, we ever imagined that we were authorizing them to impose these potentially life threatening risks on this many of their fellow Washington citizens.

That litany should be enough to discourage anyone, but we believe the Port Commissioners, the Vancouver City Council and the Governor should also consider that both the Tesoro or Albina developments do serious damage to Vancouver's attractiveness as a place to settle and raise a family or indeed make many other types of investment. We had been hoping and planning to buy one of the new Columbia West Renaissance condos that will soon be built just a short distance along the river. We are changing our mind because, even if the proposed sites pass every sort of emissions standard, the proximity of these sites to and the resultant damage to our city's

image, does harm to every investment in the area. We believe many other potential investors will share our concern. None of the regulators or decision makes have jurisdiction over our investment but...

Vancouver has already spent millions of tax payer dollars into the new infrastructure to pave the way for the Columbia West Renaissance Development. This is in keeping with the Vision Plan (2010)of Vancouver as a livable, attractive, family friendly place. The City has worked hard to transform the downtown core, build a Convention Center, beautify Esther Short park, create a Farmers Market . If we expand the asphalt plant by 1,000,000 plus gallons **and** we roll 380,000 barrels of crude oil a day past Wintler Park, Tidewater Cove, hundreds of homes along Evergreen Boulevard, along our Heritage Trail, past the back door of the new City Hall and end within smelling distance of the residents Fruit Valley, Jantzen Beach and the 1.3 billion dollar proposed river front development, how have we impacted all these positive efforts? Is 120 possible jobs enough? What could conceivably be "in it" for Vancouver that will offset the damage to our health, safety, our community, our image for "livability", our attractiveness for tourism and our many individual and collective investments?

Neither Tesoro nor Albina can in any sense, be considered "harmless". Though we don't live in Fruit Valley, we stand with their concerned residents and ask both the City Council and the Port Commissioners to take another very serious look at where we are going. We ask Governor Inslee to step in. Who will take a look at the "whole picture" and make more considered decisions.

Respectfully,

Grace Teigen  
Gene Wigglesworth

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**From:** Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Bertha Bertha  
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**From:** Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Florie Rothenberg <frothenberg@comcast.net>  
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Sincerely,

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**From:** George <aranobilis@earthlink.net>  
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**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Vancouver Oil Terminal proposal comments  
  
**Categories:** Green

Hello Council,

I spoke at the scoping hearing in Vancouver a few weeks ago. Due to the number of participants, I had to excise some significant portions of what I wished to say. Below is the complete version as I had hoped to present. Thank you again for your time and attention to this very important matter.

Hello. My name is George Jacobs, and for most of my professional life I have been a registered architect, although I no longer practice .

I say that not because I am about to give some sort of architectural critique of this proposal, but rather because when I first learned of it, a few things struck me which relate to the practices of proper development, approval, and construction.

The first is in regards to the meaning and intent of codes, permit processes, and regulation.

People in the building profession are taught that the purpose of codes, laws, and due process are to protect the health, safety and welfare of the general public; the citizens, the everyday users, those who contribute to the functioning of a community and society.

Those proposals which are determined to meet this criteria are allowed to proceed; those which do not, are denied.

The second aspect which jumped out at me about this proposal, was one of scale and proportion. As designers, we have been schooled in the appropriateness of scale and proportion.

Most zoning and planning ordinances in this country take this into account; how appropriate is the particular locality or site for the scale and scope of what is being proposed ? How appropriate is the proposed scale and USE of the facility in light of the surrounding context ?

When one looks at a proposal for a particular operations plant, it is typical to ask for examples, precedents, of other facilities in similarly situated places...and is then fair to examine the track record of such facilities.

Tesoro operates a refinery in Anacortes, one which has a very dark history of repeated violations and fines, many of them categorized as willful....as we all know. It is a facility which has the handling/processing capacity of around 115,000 barrels a day. Oil by rail traffic is approx.. 10 trains weekly.

It is located in a community with a population of 65,000 , measured w/i 15 mile radius of facility, which is how all population centers will be presented in this speech.

There is also a shell refinery in Anacortes which has a capacity of around 60,000 and rail traffic of 12 trains/weekly.

US Oil and Refining has an operation in Tacoma, a more metropolitan center. The facility has a capacity of 39,000 barrels daily, and rail traffic of 7 trains weekly. The population of metropolitan Tacoma and environs, again taken in the same radius to include the environs, is 400,000.

These, in Washington state. If we care to search out Tesoro facilities elsewhere, we can examine Salt Lake City, with a capacity of 58,000 barrels and a population measured via same radius of almost 450,000. Then Martinez, CA, with a capacity of 125,000 barrels and a population center of 300,000 people. Per their website, this is Tesoro's largest facility.

Both, like Anacortes, have received repeated fines and violations over the past few years. In both instances, many of the violations were also categorized as "willful" (meaning Tesoro was aware they were ignoring safety regulations and procedures, and decided to proceed regardless).

**This proposed Vancouver facility site sits in the second largest population center of the Pacific Northwest...** within a 15-mile radius there lives over 925,000 people. This is between DOUBLE and 15 times the populations of any of the aforementioned facility locations.

This proposal calls for a handling capacity of over **350,000** barrels per day. This is between TRIPLE and 9 times the amount of oil capacity of any other facility in the state, and/or run by Tesoro in other states of the west.

This proposed rail traffic will equal 72 trains weekly. This is between 4x and 10x the amount of rail traffic of any other facility either proposed or in operation.

So, scale and proportion. In both instances, the proposal is completely inappropriate for our population center, and beyond that...the proposal is also completely unprecedented in its scale and scope.

I would put forth that, given the repeated disasters of the past half decade, and Tesoro's abysmal track record, the relationship between capacity of a facility and population center should be inversely proportional. That is, the larger the populated area it sits in, the smaller the facility should be (if it should be allowed at all). In this instance, such a proportionality does not exist.

You do not put a terminal of unprecedented scale where it can **and likely will** cause the most impact and damage.

You have a corporation which has regularly and repeatedly and **willfully failed to safely operate smaller facilities located in much smaller population centers**, now proposing a massive facility in a dense and hugely populated municipality far, far larger than any other location in which they operate.

As a designer or building official, one would call that inappropriate. As just a regular Joe, it's more than fair to say it's a recipe for disaster.

Sincerely,

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**From:** Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Bethany Alender <bethany317@yahoo.com>  
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Nov 15, 2013

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**From:** Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Marilyn Darilek <rmdarilek@gmail.com>  
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**From:** Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Cathleen Countryman <kippcat@comcast.net>  
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**From:** Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Carol Friendly <carol.friendly@gmail.com>  
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**From:** Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Tim Durnell <dttdurnell@gmail.com>  
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1) The potential safety and environmental impacts of a large train-related oil spill or explosion along the rail route in Washington and beyond. Recent derailment disasters in Lac-Mégantic, Quebec and Alabama have shown that these risks are far too real. The tragedy in Quebec, in particular, highlighted the extreme danger of the same type of tankers that would be traveling through our communities. Forty-seven people died in that explosion, which also devastated the town.

2) The increased risk of an oil tanker spill on Washington State waters due to the fact that the shipping route runs right along Puget Sound.

3) The transportation and public health impacts of additional unit train traffic through communities along the proposed oil-by-rail route.

This includes evaluating emergency response capabilities in Vancouver, where oil trains would deliver and store oil, and other communities along the rail and shipping route.

4) The project's impact on climate change. This analysis should include climate change impacts from crude oil as well as tar sands oil from cradle to grave.

5) The impact of the project's cradle-to-grave CO2 emissions on the viability of the large oyster industry in Washington State, including their contributions to ocean acidification.

After carefully considering the safety, environmental, and climate risks associated with the proposed oil terminal, I respectfully ask you to recommend the rejection of Tesoro-Savage's application.

Sincerely,

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**From:** Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Helen Hays  
<hlhays@ccgmail.net>  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 16, 2013 1:06 AM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Comment on Docket No. EF-131590, Application No. 2013-01

Nov 16, 2013

Mr. Stephen Posner  
P.O. Box 43172  
Olympia, WA 98504-3172

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Forty-seven people died in that explosion, which also devastated the town.

2) The increased risk of an oil tanker spill on Washington State waters and along the shipping route.

3) The transportation and public health impacts of additional unit train traffic through communities along the proposed oil-by-rail route.

This includes evaluating emergency response capabilities in Vancouver, where oil trains would deliver and store oil, and other communities along the rail and shipping route.

4) The project's impact on climate change. This analysis should include climate change impacts from crude oil as well as tar sands oil from cradle to grave.

5) The impact of the project's cradle-to-grave CO2 emissions on the viability of the large oyster industry in Washington State.

After carefully considering the safety, environmental, and climate risks associated with the proposed oil terminal, I respectfully ask you to recommend the rejection of Tesoro-Savage's application.

Sincerely,

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Oregon City, OR 97045-9309  
(503) 631-4463

## Docket EF-131590

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**From:** Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Roxanne Earl <roxyearl@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 16, 2013 1:08 AM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Comment on Docket No. EF-131590, Application No. 2013-01

Nov 16, 2013

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2) The increased risk of an oil tanker spill on Washington State waters and along the shipping route.

3) The transportation and public health impacts of additional unit train traffic through communities along the proposed oil-by-rail route.

This includes evaluating emergency response capabilities in Vancouver, where oil trains would deliver and store oil, and other communities along the rail and shipping route.

4) The project's impact on climate change. This analysis should include climate change impacts from crude oil as well as tar sands oil from cradle to grave.

5) The impact of the project's cradle-to-grave CO2 emissions on the viability of the large oyster industry in Washington State.

After carefully considering the safety, environmental, and climate risks associated with the proposed oil terminal, I respectfully ask you to recommend the rejection of Tesoro-Savage's application.

Sincerely,

Ms. Roxanne Earl  
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Salem, OR 97304-3903  
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**From:** Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Sharon Fetter <sfetter@earthlink.net>  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 16, 2013 1:46 AM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Comment on Docket No. EF-131590, Application No. 2013-01

Nov 16, 2013

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Forty-seven people died in that explosion, which also devastated the town.

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3) The transportation and public health impacts of additional unit train traffic through communities along the proposed oil-by-rail route.

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5) The impact of the project's cradle-to-grave CO2 emissions on the viability of the large oyster industry in Washington State.

After carefully considering the safety, environmental, and climate risks associated with the proposed oil terminal, I respectfully ask you to recommend the rejection of Tesoro-Savage's application.

Sincerely,

Ms. Sharon Fetter  
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Puyallup, WA 98371-0054

**From:** Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Stephen Johnson <stevej7244@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 16, 2013 1:51 AM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Comment on Docket No. EF-131590; Application No. 2013-01

Nov 16, 2013

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Olympia, WA 98504-3172

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3) The transportation and public health impacts of additional unit train traffic through communities along the proposed oil-by-rail route.

This includes evaluating emergency response capabilities in Vancouver, where oil trains would deliver and store oil, and other communities along the rail and shipping route.

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5) The impact of the project's cradle-to-grave CO2 emissions on the viability of the large oyster industry in Washington State.

After carefully considering the safety, environmental, and climate risks associated with the proposed oil terminal, I respectfully ask you to recommend the rejection of Tesoro-Savage's application.

Sincerely,

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**From:** Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Bette Schei <betteschei@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 16, 2013 2:07 AM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Comment on Docket No. EF-131590, Application No. 2013-01

Nov 16, 2013

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3) The transportation and public health impacts of additional unit train traffic through communities along the proposed oil-by-rail route.

This includes evaluating emergency response capabilities in Vancouver, where oil trains would deliver and store oil, and other communities along the rail and shipping route.

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5) The impact of the project's cradle-to-grave CO2 emissions on the viability of the large oyster industry in Washington State.

After carefully considering the safety, environmental, and climate risks associated with the proposed oil terminal, I respectfully ask you to recommend the rejection of Tesoro-Savage's application.

Sincerely,

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**From:** Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Tina Mulcahy <haleiwa47@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 16, 2013 2:07 AM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Comment on Docket No. EF-131590, Application No. 2013-01

Nov 16, 2013

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2) The increased risk of an oil tanker spill on Washington State waters and along the shipping route.

3) The transportation and public health impacts of additional unit train traffic through communities along the proposed oil-by-rail route.

This includes evaluating emergency response capabilities in Vancouver, where oil trains would deliver and store oil, and other communities along the rail and shipping route.

4) The project's impact on climate change. This analysis should include climate change impacts from crude oil as well as tar sands oil from cradle to grave.

5) The impact of the project's cradle-to-grave CO2 emissions on the viability of the large oyster industry in Washington State.

After carefully considering the safety, environmental, and climate risks associated with the proposed oil terminal, I respectfully ask you to recommend the rejection of Tesoro-Savage's application.

Sincerely,

Ms. Tina Mulcahy  
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**From:** Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Robert Sullivan <bobert@spiritone.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 16, 2013 2:14 AM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Comment on Docket No. EF-131590, Application No. 2013-01

Nov 16, 2013

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Olympia, WA 98504-3172

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5) The impact of the project's cradle-to-grave CO2 emissions on the viability of the large oyster industry in Washington State.

After carefully considering the safety, environmental, and climate risks associated with the proposed oil terminal, I respectfully ask you to recommend the rejection of Tesoro-Savage's application.

Sincerely,

Mr. Robert Sullivan  
2022 N Willamette Blvd  
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**From:** Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of S Klof <jsklof@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 16, 2013 2:15 AM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Comment on Docket No. EF-131590, Application No. 2013-01

Nov 16, 2013

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Olympia, WA 98504-3172

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5) The impact of the project's cradle-to-grave CO2 emissions on the viability of the large oyster industry in Washington State.

After carefully considering the safety, environmental, and climate risks associated with the proposed oil terminal, I respectfully ask you to recommend the rejection of Tesoro-Savage's application.

Sincerely,

Ms. S Klof  
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**From:** Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Phebe Lowell Bowditch <bowditch@uoregon.edu>  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 16, 2013 2:26 AM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Comment on Docket No. EF-131590, Application No. 2013-01

Nov 16, 2013

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Olympia, WA 98504-3172

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After carefully considering the safety, environmental, and climate risks associated with the proposed oil terminal, I respectfully ask you to recommend the rejection of Tesoro-Savage's application.

Sincerely,

Dr. Phebe Lowell Bowditch  
83825 Morning Star Rd  
Creswell, OR 97426-9488  
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**From:** Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Ronald King <rfking01@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 16, 2013 2:32 AM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Comment on Docket No. EF-131590, Application No. 2013-01

Nov 16, 2013

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Sincerely,

Mr. Ronald King  
1687 Onyx St NW  
Salem, OR 97304-2135  
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**From:** Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Stephanie Strobele <sstrobele@msn.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 16, 2013 2:47 AM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Comment on Docket No. EF-131590, Application No. 2013-01

Nov 16, 2013

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Stephanie Strobele  
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Redmond, WA 98052-4739

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**From:** Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Robert Thelen Thelen <romathelen@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 16, 2013 3:02 AM  
**To:** EFSEC (UTC)  
**Subject:** Comment on Docket No. EF-131590, Application No. 2013-01

Nov 16, 2013

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After carefully considering the safety, environmental, and climate risks associated with the proposed oil terminal, I respectfully ask you to recommend the rejection of Tesoro-Savage's application.

Sincerely,

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Nov 16, 2013

Mr. Stephen Posner  
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Dear Mr. Posner,

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