

Item No.: 4B Attach 4  
Meeting: 12/21/17

December 12, 2017

Eric Johnson  
1418 Browns Point Blvd NE  
Tacoma, WA

Dear Mr. Johnson,

Thank you for your response to the Threshold Determination for the Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements (CSHI) update. The Port of Tacoma (Port) received the following comment from you via email on November 28, 2017:

"Kim,

I received the required to be sent advisement of the above topic because I live directly above the Port of Tacoma and the LNG plant currently actively being constructed, permit by permit.

I'm not an attorney but I'm sure this resolution to eliminate bulk fossil fuel has something to do with the LNG storage plant (BTW, the one no one on this side of Tacoma wants including myself).

The notice is extremely complicated reading, which I'm sure it was intended to be for the layman Tacoma residents effected. Most of my educated neighbors like myself can't make heads or tails of what the notice actually means, hence the reference to the PSE above.

I under no circumstances do I approve of the change that would be implemented through a Port Resolution.

On a final short note since your Port of Tacoma Staff, we citizens want to know about future Port of Tacoma fire protection and hazard safety within the Port's boundaries as it pertains to the future PSE LNG facility. Knowing several TFD officers, they are concerned as well, especially since PSE is now waffling on funding for the new fire station within the Port of Tacoma boundaries. The entire NE Tacoma area has just one fire station (station 3) with one truck and the next closest back up is all the way down in Fife. Station 3 also does all the 911 NE Tacoma aid calls as well.

We citizens of NE Tacoma are nervous about a future disaster waiting to happen directly 500ft. below us, not to mention our future property values. It is a very serious concern by us that in our opinion has been homogenized in the public forum with smoke and mirrors by the City of Tacoma government and including the Port of Tacoma. We feel helpless and betrayed by the lack of transparency.

This, of course, all revolves around increased revenue for the City and Port, not jobs. Increased PSE revenue will be realized by buying LNG at a low cost, storage, and selling at a higher end price.. (PSE being a non local company which is actually part of the Macquarie Group Limited foreign holding company based in Sydney Australia).

When complete, which we all know it will be now, I'm sure your aware the LNG facility will employ under 20 people. Never heard that in any of the numerous LNG advertisements touting all the new family wage jobs and cleaner air by all the maybe 2-3 ships per day I see come and go...."

The proposed CSHI update is comprised of the following language: "The Port of Tacoma chooses not to develop new facilities for the international export of bulk fossil fuels on port-owned property." The proposed language would amend the currently allowed land use of developing new facilities for the international export of bulk fossil fuels on Port property so that such a use would no longer be allowed. Work relative to the LNG facility is not captured in this proposal.

If you have additional comments or questions related to this project, please submit them to the Port of Tacoma, Environmental and Planning Services, C/O Kim Mahoney at One Sitcum Plaza, Tacoma, WA 98421 or at the Port's website at <http://www.portoftacoma.com/sepa>.

Respectfully,



Kim Mahoney  
Environmental Specialist

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CC: Deirdre Wilson (Northwest Seaport Alliance), Tony Warfield (Port of Tacoma), Tara Mattina (Port of Tacoma), Jason Jordan (Port of Tacoma)  
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**From:** Eric Johnson  
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