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To: Council; Satpal Sidhu; Barbara Brenner; Barry Buchanan; Rud Browne; Todd Donovan; Timothy Ballew; Tyler Byrd
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Dear Whatcom County Council:

I recently listened to the April 10, 2018 Special Committee of the Whole meeting. During the last half hour of that meeting Council Member Donovan brought up four items of direction he would like to give staff related to recommendations from the Cascadia Law Group report, "Reducing Impacts from Fossil Fuel Projects." Ensuing from the discussion around that subject, suggestions were made by Council Members and members of the public that evolved into the potential for there to be a summit of Cherry Point Stakeholders to be held at a future Special Committee of the Whole meeting.

I am writing this letter to call on you Council Members to ensure that you reach out to all Cherry Point stakeholders and give ample opportunity for the public to be present at this meeting. I am sending along a list from the Cherry Point Aquatic Reserve Work Group that I had originally sent to you Council Members on another occasion when opportunities for Cherry Point Industries to give presentations before the Council were being discussed, which was back in the Fall of 2016. At that time a number of Cherry Point Industry companies were invited to give presentations and engage in Q&A at four County Council Natural Resources Committee meetings from the end of October to December 2016. By way of Whatcom Business Alliance President Tony Larson, the companies turned down attending any of those meetings.

My intent in writing back at that time, is similar to what it is now. If industries are being consulted to learn more about how they operate and factual material that should be considered when the Council is creating legislation and policy to protect public health and safety, transportation, and County liability, then all Cherry Point stakeholders should be provided the same opportunity to present facts surrounding their interests. Of course, perspective can't help but enter in to such meetings and as many relevant perspectives as possible should be considered, as well.

I have attached the list from the Cherry Point Aquatic Reserve Work Group and ask also, that the Council take into consideration that different representatives of stakeholders may need to be contacted if those representatives have changed. I also call on you to look into any Cherry Point stakeholders that may not be on the list of that work group. For example, there are many residents that live within the Crude Oil-by-Rail blast zone by the refineries or

train tracks. (A train just derailed at Cherry Point a month ago. <http://www.bellinghamherald.com/news/local/article206304939.html>) Also there are those, like myself, living within a couple miles of Cherry Point, who deal with possible chemical events, noticeably those with flaring involved, of which there was one reported to NWCAA (by BP, I believe) a week or so ago. We were awoken at our home by that event due to the noise and vibration the flaring causes. Then of course, there is the issue of what emissions are coming from the flaring, and the fire itself. We have been told in the past by BP, that because there is potential for explosion depending on the substance being burned, great care must be taken in the flaring process so it doesn't get out of control. Representatives of all types of people or creatures open to such potentially negative impacts and others should be invited to participate.

Here is the link for the list of the work group members:

https://www.dnr.wa.gov/publications/aqr_rsve_cherrypt_workgrp_members.pdf?b2f0s02j4i

And I have attached a pdf copy of the list, as well.

Sincerely,
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Cherry Point Aquatic Reserve Work Group Members

Name	Affiliation
Michael Kyte	Private Consultant
Bert Rubash	Whatcom County Marine Resources Committee
Steve Irving	Audubon
Alan Chapman	Lummi Tribe
April Markiewicz	Western Washington University
Barry Wenger	Retired - Ecology
Bob Kelley	Nooksack Tribe
Betty Bookheim	WA State Department of Natural Resources (DNR)
Brendan Brokes	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)
Dennis Clark	DNR
	Whatcom Land Trust
Fred Felleman	Private Consultant
Michael Grilliot	DNR
Heather Trim	People for Puget Sound
Jeff Chalfant	British Petroleum (BP)
Jeremy Freimund	Lummi Tribe
Josh Wilund	Alcoa
Kathryn Mitchell	Alcoa
Kyle Loring	Friends of the San Juans
Kyle Murphy	DNR
Llyn Doremus	Private Citizen
Maddie Foutch	People for Puget Sound
Marie Hitchman	Beachwatchers
Mark Pedersen	
Merle Jefferson	Lummi Tribe
Oliver Grah	Nooksack Tribe
Paul Woodcock	
Pete Sim	BP
Rebecca Schlotterback	Whatcom PUD
Roger Brown	Birch Bay Water and Sewer Distric
Roland Middleton	Whatcom County
Skip Sahlin	SSA Marine
Steve Jilk	Whatcom PUD
Ted Morris	Washington State Parks
Tim Johnson	Conoco Phillips
Wayne Landis	Western Washington University
Wendy Steffensen	RE Sources for Sustainable Communities