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THE CORPORATION OF THE
DISTRICT OF WEST VANCOUVER
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

December 3, 2015

File: 0175-01

The Honourable Catherine McKenna, MP
Minister of Environment and Climate Change
Parliament Buildings
Ottawa ON K1A 0H3

Dear Minister McKenna:

RE: Proposed Woodfibre LNG Project

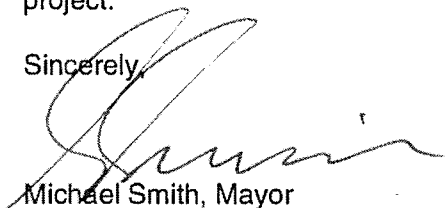
We are writing to respectfully request that you delay the federal decision on the Environment Assessment Certificate for the Woodfibre LNG project in Howe Sound, British Columbia until your department has had an opportunity to complete a thorough review of the Assessment.

On October 26, 2015 the Province of British Columbia issued Environmental Assessment Certificate #E15-02 for the Woodfibre LNG Project. We understand that your department's approval process is progressing independently and we appreciate the new government's commitment to environmental decisions based on science-based evidence. Given the recent change in government we anticipate that additional time may be required for a thorough review of the potential environmental impacts of this proposed project.

The length of our municipality fronts onto Burrard Inlet and the entrance to Howe Sound which is along the proposed shipping route for LNG tankers. The citizens of West Vancouver have taken very keen interest in the proposed Woodfibre LNG Project. Please find enclosed our municipal Council resolution sent to the BC Environment Assessment Office in July of 2014 outlining West Vancouver's concerns about the project and given these, our suggestion that LNG tankers be banned from the waters of Howe Sound.

We welcome your new administration. We are encouraged by the new policies announced and appreciate that timelines may have to be extended to apply these new policies to this proposed project.

Sincerely,



Michael Smith, Mayor

cc:Pamela Goldsmith Jones, MP, West Vancouver Sea to Sky Sunshine Coast
Jordan Sturdy, MLA, West Vancouver Sea to Sky Sunshine Coast
Sandra Bicego, Manager, Environment & Sustainability

Attachment



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July 24, 2014

File: 0332-01

Scott Bailey, Executive Project Director
LNG Facilities and Coast Area
Environmental Assessment Office
2nd Floor - 836 Yates St
PO Box 9426 Stn Prov Govt
Victoria, BC V8W 9V1

Dear Mr. Bailey:

RE: Proposed Woodfibre LNG Project

The District of West Vancouver Council at its July 21, 2014 regular meeting received a delegation regarding Woodfibre LNG Limited Proposal for Liquefied Natural Gas Plant in Howe Sound, and passed the following motion:

THAT

- 1. the District of West Vancouver Council advise the environmental assessment office of our concerns regarding super tanker safety, rogue waves, foreshore erosion, conflicting waterway uses, and the LNG terminal in Howe Sound and tanker traffic, in response to their request for feedback on the Woodfibre LNG project; and*
- 2. the District of West Vancouver be included in any existing and future committees, working groups and consultative bodies regarding the tanker traffic and location and operation of the LNG plant; and that*
- 3. the District of West Vancouver Council write to the federal government with a suggestion to ban the passage of LNG tankers in the waters of Howe Sound.*

Council respectfully requests consideration of our concerns and our request for inclusion in any existing and future committees, working groups and consultative bodies regarding the tanker traffic and location and operation of the LNG plant.

Sincerely,



Michael Smith, Mayor

cc: Council