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From: Dana Brown-Davis
Sent: Tuesday, October 09, 2018 8:57 AM
To: Tyler Schroeder; Mark Personius; Matt Aamot
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From: Council
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From: Holli Johnson [<mailto:hjohnson@wspa.org>]
Sent: Monday, October 08, 2018 5:14 PM
To: Barry Buchanan; Tyler Byrd; Timothy Ballew; Todd Donovan; Barbara Brenner; Rud Browne; Satpal Sidhu
Cc: Council
Subject: Whatcom County Council Questions for Cherry Point Industries

Dear Honorable Council Members,

Enclosed is a request from Western States Petroleum Association (WSPA) on behalf of our members located in Whatcom County.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

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October 8, 2018

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Re: **Council Questions for Cherry Point industry
Representatives dated 9-27-18**

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Honorable Council Members:

The Western States Petroleum Association (WSPA) is a non-profit trade association representing companies that explore for, produce, refine, transport, and market petroleum and petroleum products in five western states, including Washington. WSPA members in Whatcom County include Phillips 66 and the BP Cherry Point Refinery. We would like to respond to the September 27, 2018 request for information on behalf of our members.

WSPA appreciates the Council's interest in better understanding insurance and risk matters, operational issues, and storage capabilities prior to finalizing the proposed Comprehensive Plan amendments and the associated code and rule amendments that will affect the industry in Whatcom County. However, after reviewing the Council's questions, it has become apparent that WSPA and its members may need to have a broader discussion with the Council about many of these matters, as the questions as posed do not take into consideration the complicated nature of these questions and their answers, or the broader context in which these issues are currently managed by Cherry Point industry.

WSPA, along with Phillips 66 and BP, suggest that a broader, more comprehensive response is necessary to provide the Council with more clarity on these issues. To do so, WSPA and its members must seek the input of a variety of subject matter experts, which will take more time than the Council has provided.

In order to provide a more comprehensive response to the Council's questions, we ask that the Council provide more time to respond. We believe that more fulsome answers to the Council's questions could be ready by November 7. We also suggest that we provide the Council with presentations at the following council meetings on November 20 and December 4 that separately address insurance/risk and operational issues. We believe that these presentations would benefit the Council as it moves forward to consider the appropriate Comprehensive Plan amendments to propose.

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We believe it is in the best interests of our members and will be more productive for the Council to allow the time necessary to complete the task that Council has asked of our members.

Thank you for your consideration of WSPA's comments. We welcome any questions or comments you might have. Please contact me at (360) 352-4506 or by email at hjohnson@wspa.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Halli Johnson". The signature is written in a cursive style.

cc: Pam Brady, BP
Josh Summers, Phillips 66
Jessica Spiegel, WSPA
Jodie Muller, WSPA