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I wish to object to the SEPA Mitigated Determination of Nonsignificance for this project for the following reasons:

1. I am bothered by the fact that, although the spokesperson for Phillips 66 does finally say that "the project will not **materially** affect the amount of fuel oil throughput processed at the refinery or the number of train trips or marine vessels utilizing the...terminal in any **particular** future time period" he does not really answer the question about transport. I think the words in red leave a lot of wiggle room. It is poor business practice for a company to be unable to have any idea of how many vessels will be traversing the Salish Sea with these new fuels. How will they arrive and how they will be transported is a mystery to me. Pipeline? Drones?
2. There is no provision for maintaining the conditions of manufacture or shipping if Phillips 66 should sell its Cherry Point holdings. We have seen an example of this involving Alcoa at Cherry Point. A conditional use permit should be required at the very least.
3. Although effects on water, including salt water "in or near the site" is listed on p.5, the application claims that there is no nearby surface water. What about the Cherry Point Aquatic reserve which borders Cherry Point? And the Salish Sea?
4. Most importantly, there are several inaccurate or omitted responses on pp.7 and 8 of the request. "List threatened and endangered species known to be near the site" is listed **TWICE**. **The Southern Resident Orcas and Cherry Point Herring** are not listed in either category. Is there anyone in the county who has not heard of these species? Everyone knows that the Cherry Point Herring are a declining but necessary salmon food, and salmon are necessary for Orca survival. The risk of oil spills which could wipe out the herring and pollute the clean water which the Orca need plus the sounds of vessels which confuse their communications make this project dubious without more safeguards.

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