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TO:

Dear Council members,

Thank you for responding to public input and initiating a public review process for the Cherry Point Amendments. I am glad that Council members are recognizing the need to prohibit new fossil fuel shipment terminals and to reform county code so that Whatcom County is empowered to hold existing industries accountable not to increase hazards, and encourage industries to invest in upgrades that reduce pollution and risk while creating jobs. I hope that careful review, transparent dialogue and public input will make these amendments stronger.

*Our community simply must do whatever in our power is available to protect our ocean and marine life, and the Salish Sea Orca population. It's not rocket science recognizing that any further development in terminals at Cherry Point will impact the health of our ocean. We depend on our fishing and recreational industries to draw folks to this area and if the polluting at this scale increases, we can kiss that part of our economy goodbye (just remember how we used to be able to raise oysters here and the once salmon and herring populations were numerous!). Please, we need a **LONG TERM VISION** on how to accomplish this and it needs to start now. For so many decades we have put bandaids on the problem and look at the millions of dollars of clean-up required in B'ham Bay after the pulp mill left? Do we also want the number of oil tankers quadrupled traveling through the Salish Sea to Asia? Please be **PROACTIVE** and side with improving our environmental impacts in our lovely neck of the woods!! Increase clean jobs by adding renewable energy business to the Cherry Point area as an alternative to further expansion of fossil fuels!*

Thank you for your service to our communities.

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