

Dear Governor Kotek, DEQ Director Feldon, Members of the Portland City Council, Members of the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners, Members of the Metro Council, Members of the Oregon Legislature, and Members of the Oregon Federal Delegation,

Based on the findings of the City of Portland and Multnomah County funded CEI Hub Seismic Risk Analysis, it is clear that the Critical Energy Infrastructure (CEI) Hub poses serious health, safety, cultural, social justice, economic and environmental risks to every Portland neighborhood and the entire Pacific Northwest region.

The 2022 Legislative action that passed Senate Bill 1567 addressing the potential dangers associated with the CEI Hub is a commendable first step, but not enough. We, the undersigned Portland Neighborhood Associations and other organizations therefore support the following actions:

- Through ongoing and widespread media campaigns, local (city, county, regional) and state officials must educate and alert the people of the greater Portland-area to the dangers of the CEI Hub.
- Local and state government agencies must take immediate action to monitor and remediate the cumulative pollution associated with the operations of the CEI Hub.
- Local and state governments must immediately coordinate to develop a new plan for Oregon's fuel storage. All communities must have opportunities to participate in this process. Environmental justice is at the heart of this demand.
- Local and state governments must require companies who operate within the CEI Hub to assume full financial responsibility for addressing potential disaster prevention, emergency services, clean-up and restoration.
- The Oregon Legislature must work to craft legislation that requires companies to regularly update local officials and emergency responders as to the types of fossil, bio-energy fuels, petro-chemicals and toxins that are stored and transported to and from the CEI Hub.
- City and State agencies must monitor Zenith Energy's transport and storage of fossil fuels and substantiate with peer-reviewed research the environmental, public health, safety and economic advantages of their transition to biofuels. (In their Oct. 2022 Land Use Compatibility Statement, the city made an agreement with Zenith Energy to stop transloading fossil fuels in 5 years and switch to biofuels.)

We are all just one earthquake, one train derailment or one human error away from tragedy. Our

elected and appointed representatives have the responsibility to protect the health and safety of the entire region. Please provide us with a timely response to all of these concerns.

Sincerely,

Cathedral Park Neighborhood Association

Crestwood Neighborhood Association

Irvington Neighborhood Association

Kenton Neighborhood Association

Linnton Neighborhood Association

Maplewood Neighborhood Association

Pearl District Neighborhood Association

Sabin Neighborhood Association

Sauvie Island Community Association

SE Uplift Neighborhood Coalition

SMILE (Sellwood-Moreland Improvement League) Neighborhood Association

Sullivan's Gulch Neighborhood Association

350PDX

Alliance For Democracy

Braided River Campaign

Breach Collective

Eastside democratic Club

Extinction Rebellion-PDX

Firewise Neighborhoods

    Linnton

    Forest Park-North

    Forest Park-South

    Forest Heights

    Thurman Bridge

Frog Ferry

Human Access Project

Oregon Chapter of the Sierra Club

Oregon Conservancy Foundation

Oregon Physicians for Social Responsibility

Portland Harbor Community Advisory Group

Portland Youth Climate Strike

Sunrise Movement-PDX

Tank The Tanks