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Dear Vivian,

Re: Stz'uminus First Nation Response to Woodfibre LNG Project Request for Consultation on Upstream Greenhouse Gas Emissions

We are in receipt of your letter of Feb. 9 2016 requesting comments on the analysis of the GHG emissions for the project. Stz'uminus First Nation does not currently have the internal expertise to analyze the information you have provided. We have previously met with the EAO and the proponents directly around the project and received a small amount of funding for engagement. We do not feel that our concerns were sufficiently addressed at that stage. The proponent seemed more interested in understanding Stz'uminus' historical use within our Statement of Intent area rather than addressing our concerns.

It is our understanding that the Woodfibre LNG project will see a widened pipeline to accommodate the shipping of 2.1m tonnes of LNG annually through traditional SFN territory, creating the potential for catastrophic damage to the environment and our community. The additional traffic (40 tankers annually) alone will have impacts on the Salish Sea ecosystem.

The health of the Salish Sea is of the highest importance to Stz'uminus First Nation. The Salish Sea is integral to the livelihoods of our members, to our connections with the past and to the health and well-being of our future generations. With our current heavy reliance on the resources in the Salish Sea and our plans to increase our use of the resources at our doorstep, shipping millions of tonnes of LNG past our shores requires a high level of investigation as to the potential effects and the highest degree of consultation.

We hope that the Crown, in an effort to undertake meaningful consultation with Stz'uminus First Nation, will recognize and address the significant costs we are incurring to analyze and respond to this and other proposed projects within the Salish Sea.

Respectfully,

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Ray Gauthier
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Cc: Stz'uminus Chief & Council