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**To:** Woodfibre LNG / GNL Woodfibre (CEAA/ACEE)  
**Subject:** WoodFibre LNG Squamish

March 1, 2016.

Dear Sir or Madam,

As a longtime Squamish resident, who moved here from Ontario <personal information removed> for the spectacular scenery and diverse outdoor recreation opportunities, I am deeply concerned about the proposed Woodfibre LNG plant in Squamish. When I first arrived in Squamish, the Woodfibre mill was still operational and the entire community was exposed to its' offensive odour and smoky haze regularly. Squamish is Salish for Mother of The Winds, in the summer, you can almost time your watch to Squamish' strong, daily, inflow winds. Regardless of WoodFibre's seeming distance from the community, in a 30 knot breeze, any toxins produced at WoodFibre arrive in Squamish extremely quickly. In the event of an accident, Squamish residents would have very little time to respond and escape. Squamish experienced a tiny glimpse of our vulnerable air quality last summer during the Squamish Terminals Fire which blanketed the entire town in a black and impenetrable blanket of toxic smoke. I assure you that clean air is priceless when you are laying in bed finding it difficult to breathe.

Since moving to Squamish, <personal information removed>. I cherish the diverse marine life with whom I have been so blessed to share our oceans and which I have been so privileged to witness within touching distance of my bow. The dolphins and orcas have been steadily returning to Squamish and my boat was surrounded by hundreds of dolphins while docked in the Blind Channel in Squamish a couple years ago. Since the Britannia Mine and Woodfibre mill have closed, the marine life is steadily returning and becoming increasingly more abundant. Moreover, Howe Sound is very narrow in places and the tankers will be travelling in close proximity to numerous local communities as it transits from Squamish to Vancouver and beyond. It is my understanding that in the United States, LNG tankers are considered vulnerable to terrorists and are required to stay far away from residential areas. I have also read of two incidents when LNG tankers were struck by lightning. Thankfully, both those incidents were resolved quickly and safely. However, in the event that the unimaginable occurs, whether it be a lightning strike, tsunami, earthquake or terrorism, there is no possible way that any human can 100 % guarantee that the LNG facility or tankers will not be compromised and jeopardize human and non human life.

I do appreciate that the LNG facility proposed for Squamish is meant to be one of the most state of the art and energy efficient LNG facilities in the World. Regardless of that fact, what concerns me even more than the LNG plant in Squamish is the source of the fuel. We live in the Ring of Fire and it is unfathomable to me that we would obtain fuel by such dirty practices as fracking that have already been linked to increased earthquake activity and uses up such a precious and finite commodity as water when our neighbours to the South are experiencing droughts and our own precious water

levels have been depleted as a result of changing weather patterns due to climate change. This brings me to the Paris Summit this year where our newly elected Prime Minister, the honourable Mr. Trudeau, proudly stated that "we are back" and that we want to make a difference on the world stage in terms of climate change. I felt so hopeful and inspired when hearing Mr. Trudeau make that statement. I was becoming increasingly embarrassed to admit that I was Canadian while Mr. Harper was in power. Normally, as a first generation Canadian, I am incredibly proud, humble and patriotic about this truly unbelievable country in which every one of us is so blessed to live. I beg of you Mr. Trudeau, to please follow through on your promise and commitment to investing in sustainable and renewable energy. Please discontinue all fracking immediately. Please put an indefinite stop to ALL LNG development, not just in Squamish but in Canada. This is old technology before it has even begun. The world is progressing into more sustainable and renewable energy. The wealthiest nations on the planet are going to be the ones that are progressive and brave enough to invest in innovation and sustainable energy, infrastructure and practices. There is literally countless jobs available in green energy whether it be in requiring all buildings in Canada with a slope of less than 30 degrees to install extensive or intensive green roofs to planting urban street trees using silva cell technology or imposing steep litter taxes on all corporations and cigarette manufacturers that are creating wasteful packaging such as Starbucks, McDonalds, Tim Hortons... I originally studied Integrated Resource Management at Sir Sandford Fleming College School of Natural Resources. This program focused on the sustainable use of natural resources through the integration of permaculture practices. If there is anything that this program instilled in me, it is that everything on this planet is interconnected. Whether it is a comparatively microscopic scale of managing a municipality to running a country or the planet as a whole, there are no borders, everything is interconnected and every single action that we make as citizens, employees, friends or family has a positive or negative effect that spreads like a wave across the ocean. It is crucial that we are responsible in our choices so that the ripple we make becomes a positive wave we can surf and relish back to shore rather than becoming an unstoppable, destructive tsunami that destroys everything in its' path!

<personal information removed>. I mention this because I want to reinforce that people can be re-educated and trained for alternate work not matter the age, debts or responsibilities. People presently working on the pipelines CAN be re-educated, re-trained and provided with meaningful and high paying jobs in green technology. A friend of mine worked on the pipeline and he compared going to camp as going to "Mordor" in Lord of the Rings. He is opposed to LNG as well despite the fact that it would provide him with town work in Squamish.

At the end of the day, You can't Eat, Drink, Breathe or Swim in Money! Please be the Prime Minister I am coming to admire <sensitive information removed>. Please make wise choices for each and every one of us (human and non-human) for this generation and generations to come. You will definitely have my vote, and undoubtedly many other green party supporters, next election if you follow through with your climate change promises. I believe in you.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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