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Submitted by email: pacificrefinery@ceaa.gc.ca

RE: Comments on Pacific Future Energy Refinery Draft EIS Guidelines

Dear Mr. Maracle,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency's (CEAA) draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) Guidelines for proposed Pacific Future Energy Refinery Project (Project).

As Mayor of Kitimat, and on behalf of Council, I am compelled to ensure that the District of Kitimat (District), our community, and its residents are granted appropriate opportunity to provide input during the Project's Environmental Assessment (EA) process. Although the proposed Project is not located in the District's jurisdiction, it will have a significant impact on our community, residents, and municipal services. Therefore, it is necessary that the District, community, and residents are consulted during the Project's EA. Providing appropriate capacity for consultation aligns with Chapter 4 of draft EIS Guidelines (Public Participation and Concerns). I encourage your organization and the proponent to ensure that opportunities to provide input are available, accessible, and made aware to the District, community, and our residents.

Once again, thank you for the opportunity to comment on CEAA's draft EIS Guidelines for the proposed Project.

Sincerely,

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Phil Germuth
Mayor