

## Concerns regarding NEXT Renewables

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Thank you for taking a moment to consider my concerns.

I am writing to express my disagreement of the industrial development in Port Westward on the part of NEXT Renewables.

I live within the monastic community in Quincy and we will be adversely affected by noise and air pollution, which will be detrimental to our business model of hosting retreats for people from all over the country and Canada who come through Clatskanie on the way to our monastery.

Having lived for 24 years on the West coast of Puerto Rico, I have too many memories of what it's like to have social outings descended upon by the foul smell of a nearby industrial park where water treatment took place. Will this project, that proposes to render animal fat into biodiesel, be any better?

Furthermore, it is doubtful that my neighbors in Clatskanie, whom this company claims to elevate to a new level of income, will be eligible to apply to do any of the significantly technical work required to keep an industrial plant of this magnitude in working order. We can expect that, just as has been the case with the energy plant and biorefinery already in the area, these people will import their work from elsewhere.

Thank you for your time and have a beautiful day.

Take care,

Jikai

