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Re: Comments on Feasibility Study, Occidental Chemical Corp.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to provide comments on the Occidental Chemical Superfund cleanup, the worst contamination left in Commencement Bay.

My name is Lynnette Shureb and I live in Lakewood, Washington. I do a lot of DOOR BELLING, VOTER REGISTRATION AS I AM RETIRED. I TALK TO LITERALLY THOUSANDS OF VOTERS AND REGISTER YOUNG VOTERS AND GIVE THEM A BRIEF LESSON ON HOW TO VOTE IN THEIR OWN BEST INTEREST.

I AM TIRED OF INDUSTRIES POLLUTING AND EXPLOITING OUR EARTH FOR PROFIT AND LEAVING A HORRIBLE MESS FOR OTHER TO CLEAN UP! By the time you are in your thirties you begin to wake up and and THE GREY AREAS OF WHAT IS RIGHT AND WHAT IS INHERENTLY WRONG IS OBVIOUS AND WHEN YOU DENY THE TRUTH OF THIS EPIPHANY YOU WILL SUFFER IN THE END.

It is not right for the profit motive to be the only or the most important thing!

Here are some words from a great editorial columnist Sydney J. Harris.

Heed his words. Make these corporations live up to their responsibility because they BROKE OUR EARTH AND NOW THEY MUST SET AN EXAMPLE FOR THE OTHER CORPORATIONS WHO ARE DESTROYING OUR EARTH.

THE PROFIT SYSTEMS EXCESSES

HOW CAN CAPITAL PREACH incessantly that profit is the main driving force of society, and then expect labor to act otherwise?

Capitalism IS AN ECONOMIC SYSTEM that works well within carefully defined limits.

It is not a social system.

It is not a philosophy of life.

It is not a gospel.

It is simply an arrangement of working, owning and producing; and like any other human arrangement, it has its own built-in flaws that must continually be corrected and rectified.

But if you convince people that profit, that the desire to get more and have more, takes precedence over any other set of motivations and if you elevate this to a principle of life, not just an economic doctrine- then it is hard to blame them for acting on that principle.

If getting the most you can is what counts, labor will try to get the most it can. If buying low and selling dear is the first axiom of capital, then pulling down the highest wages for the smallest expenditure of effort becomes the first axiom of labor.

It is ironic that most American businessmen are much closer to Marx than they know. Marxism is a

purely materialistic philosophy, holding that economic considerations dominate human history. If capitalists agree with this view (as most of them seem to), then they have capitulated to a doctrine that will ultimately destroy them.

Our nation was founded on the belief that man is a social and moral creature, and not just the victim of his appetites; on the belief that justice and honor and fidelity and common welfare are more important than gain.

When the profit motive becomes the mainspring of our society, it signals an ideological triumph for Marx, even though it goes by the name of capitalism.

THE BEST OF SYDNEY J. HARRIS Houghton Mifflin Company Boston 1975 (the truth is timeless)

I am deeply concerned about toxic contamination from the Occidental Chemical Corporation.

Occidental should not be able to argue that it's too big of a mess – they created it and they should clean it up. For the safety of our environment, Ecology needs to hold them fully accountable for a real cleanup to the "maximum extent practicable" as required by the Model Toxics Control Act. What Occidental is proposing is unacceptable.

With all good wished, I thank you kindly

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Next time I send a damn fool, I go" myself."