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PLEASE DENY THE REQUEST By WEST ROCK TACOMA for a CONSTRUCTION ORDER, FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS:

WestRock, the paper, pulp and power plant in the Port of Tacoma, is planning to increase air pollution.

Currently there is no cumulative air emissions testing or measuring station in the Port of Tacoma. Only particulate matter (PM2.5) is independently measured on a regular basis. Many of the toxins emitted can have long term health impacts that can affect immune responses and interfere with hormone regulation.

## Air quality impact

Air pollutants expected to increase due to this project include:

- Total suspended particulates by 0.33 tons/year
- Particulate matter less than 10 microns in size (PM10) by 0.3 tons/year
- PM2.5 by 0.23 tons/year.
- Volatile organic compounds by 3.9 tons/year.
- Toxic air pollutants by 15.59 tons/year.

(Toxins include: Chloroform, Formaldehyde, Methylene Chloride, Naphthalene, Tetrachloroethylene, Trichloroethylene, Acetaldehyde and Benzene).

For the health and live ability of our entire community, please deny WestRock's construction request.