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I urge the Ecology department to substantially raise the amount of financial liability from an oil spill for Class 1 facilities by a factor of at least 20. Our oil spill response team on Lopez Island claims that a successful containment of an oil spill only captures about 10% of the total spill. The liability for an oil spill needs to be significant enough so that companies take enough safeguards to prevent a spill. Otherwise, this will just become a business expense and the long-term effect on the marine ecosystem of the Salish Sea will be it's degradation. Thank you, Jim Lombard