## Ruth Kendall

My name is Ruth Kendall. I am a member of the Longview City Council. I think that the NWIW is an important opportunity that will provide a much needed economic boost to our community.

I am also a retired chemical engineer. I had the good fortune to spend my career working in an industrial facility in Longview. As a process engineer I was proud to contribute toward modernizing our process to make it more efficient, cleaner, safer, and more environmentally friendly. I had a first hand view on how advancing technology made this possible. NWIW's proposed state of the art project will be an important investment in the future of our community.

I am also very concerned about our environment. We live in a beautiful area that we need to protect. I am glad to live in the state of Washington that has stringent environmental laws designed to ensure we do this. NWIW has demonstrated its commitment to meeting and exceeding these expectations.

I feel strongly that the NWIW project would be good for our community. It will provide much needed jobs. The project will continue a tradition of industry for area while protecting our environment. I urge you to allow this facility to be built.