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Resolution 31793 Amendment 1 – CM Sawant

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A RESOLUTION addressing a proposed liquefied natural gas facility in Tacoma, and urging the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency to improve tribal consultation procedures and collaborate with regional mayors, leaders, and tribes to address the growing impact of climate change.

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WHEREAS, Puget Sound Energy (PSE), a for-profit company, is developing a liquefied natural gas (LNG) facility at the Port of Tacoma in the Tacoma Tideflats for the purpose of producing, storing, and distributing liquefied natural gas; and

WHEREAS, the regional 2008 Northwest Ports Clean Air Strategy set ambitious goals for reducing emissions from ships and other port-related sources and improving regional air quality; and

WHEREAS, most cargo ships in the Puget Sound region currently run on diesel or bunker fuel, and emissions from ships are responsible for 63 percent of maritime-related diesel particulate matter emissions; and

WHEREAS, vessels operating in Puget Sound must meet appropriate federal emissions standards; and

WHEREAS, the Seattle City Council considers climate change to be a threat to people everywhere in the world, and a vital concern for the people of Seattle and the Northwest, ~~and data shows that LNG is one choice to fuel some ships and provide natural gas to residential and commercial customers to reduce sulfur emissions, harmful diesel particulate matter by 90 percent, nitric oxide and nitrogen dioxide emissions by 90 percent, and carbon dioxide emissions by 35 percent over that of diesel or bunker fuel;~~ and