SAMPLE LETTER

Dear Councillor (Name_Here)

I am writing to you to express my concerns about the shipment of dangerous Unconventional Oil products (Diluted Bitumen and Bakken Crude) through the City of Toronto.

As you may know, Bitumen is Tar Sands dug from the ground and then diluted in order to allow it to be shipped as a partial liquid (Diluted Bitumen) through pipelines or by rail. Bakken Crude is a highly explosive form of Unconventional Crude which is extracted by fracking.

Diluted Bitumen (DilBit) is a highly corrosive and highly toxic substance. These Tar Sands are going to be shipped through a pipe designed for regular crude oil. The increased amount of pressure and heat required for the flow of bitumen through this pipe, as well as the abrasive nature of the fluid will put unknown strains on a pipe that is over 40 years old. The two largest pipeline spills in US history have been recently converted DilBit pipelines such as this.

In addition, the CPR rail line through the heart of Toronto is the main rail route for Unconventional Crude oils moving from the prairies to the east coast. Both of these products are for export, not domestic use.

I do not want to take this risk. I do not want to have this type of oil flowing under my feet, across our water streams, and potentially poisoning the lives of my fellow citizens and innocent wildlife. (The recent explosion in Lac-Mégantic is an example of how volatile this material is.)

Just the possibility of Tar Sands in Toronto is enough to depress property values along its route. Only urgent action will prevent this.

I am asking you to take action to prevent the flow of DilBit through Toronto. A draft motion banning the transport of DilBit has been prepared for Council to consider. (Copies and background information are available at www.stopline9-toronto.ca)

Sincerely,

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