



Break out your pink and red construction paper -- it's Time to Make Valentines: Tell Portland City Council to "Break Up with Zenith"!

Have you ever stayed in a relationship too long? Kept on keeping on, even when you knew it was over? Well, it's time to show our love for future Portlanders and, as pop songs through the ages tell us.... Wash that crude right out of our hair; get off the [fossil] bus, Gus; Go your own way, Shake it out.

Since 2018, Zenith Energy's NW Portland oil terminal has been unloading crude oil from trains, storing it in tanks, then sending it through pipes onto ships bound for the Pacific. Zenith operates under permits issued when the property was owned and run as an asphalt plant many years ago. They have been relying on regulatory loopholes to continue operating and even increase their capacity, in spite of a 2016 Portland ordinance prohibiting the expansion of fossil fuel infrastructure and a 2015 City Council resolution opposing oil train traffic.

At every turn, hundreds of concerned citizens have opposed Zenith, but haven't yet been able to stop this dirty, dangerous, climate-killing operation. *But this spring, some permit renewals are due and the City of Portland has an opportunity to weigh in and possibly stop Zenith.*

However. ...we have three new City Council members who may not yet be fully informed about Zenith. Also, members who were persuaded to oppose Zenith in the past (Wheeler and Hardesty) need to know how much we still care.

So let's send all five Commissioners valentines!

We want them to know we strongly oppose Zenith, and that we will "love" them - as long as they help us stop this climate-busting operation, which threatens the safety of our neighborhoods, future generations, and life in the lower Columbia River Basin.

Let's pile the office desks at City Hall high with valentines!

Here are some ideas for messages - but feel free to come up with your own!

Land Use Compatibility
Earth, Air, and Water in the sea
Zenith's awful disguise
Can't become our demise
They'll scar, spill, and burn
With no space for return
Please. Deny them their L.U.C.S.
'Cause, well...it just sucks

**Let's not Fall into a Burning Ring of Fire
Tell Zenith, They're not what we Desire**

Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty,
You know, it's not hard to see
How much it is that you care
To keep good on environmental policy
So please,
Deny Zenith's Land Use Compatibility

**I Know that You're new to the Scene
But there's something on which we're not keen
Zenith's dangerous actions are flagrant
Their illegal conduct is blatant
Show them what's what
Deny them their L.U.C.S.
Let's keep Portland's biofuel dream**

It's Valentine's day
We're glad you've arrived
We believe Zenith's Contract
Needs be denied

**Oil Trains leave Moral Stains
Hold Zenith Accountable
They're not insurmountable**

You Sure are cute
When you fight not to pollute

Commissioner Mapps,
To defend Portlands halls, waters, environs
On Zenith's L.U.C.S, you must blare your sirens.
Hold them accountable, they're not insurmountable.
Call 9-1-1, illegal work's being done!
Their greedy funds will never heal our lungs

Dearest Commissioners,
Be true to the City of Roses.
It is my business, so beg your pardon.
It's no "bed of roses" with Zenith in our garden.
Roses are red. Air is foul.
Oil trains are what we dread.

Zenith, you make me yearn for those happy asphalt days of yore.

Critical Energy Infrastructure Zone
We're fed up. Outta here, Leave us alone.

City Council:
Love and kisses!
Kick out Zenith.
No more near misses!

Zenith, you put me in a cold-hot sweat.
Don't want you near the Will-a-mette.

Zenith, time to pull up the tracks.
Don't need the asthma, the heart attacks.
Take your promises and don't come back.

Zenith, your false words were not heartfelt.
Now we fear that your tanks will melt.

**Zenith! Done with you! My heart won't ache.
All day and night and when awoken,
Scared and shakin' when we feel the quakin'.**

We love our city, it is dear
Losing it to Zenith is what we fear
Please make sure to take good care
To protect our climate and our air.

**Portland is home that we know well
It is the place that we all dwell
Shut Zenith down so we can live sound
And do the work to keep fossil fuels in the ground.**

City of Roses, home to us all
People and salmon, trees that grow tall
Our river is at risk, Zenith oil trains amuck
Please take swift action to quickly deconstruct

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