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Re: Letter of 7-31-13 from Natalie E. West to Tex Haeuser

Dear Natalie:

Thank you for your letter. However it may have come out at the July 23rd hearing, the area I was referencing for where Portland Pipe Line could add storage tanks according to the Comprehensive Plan was the vacant land they own along Broadway. This is really the only place they could add tanks—they do not have room in the areas along their piers designated by the Comprehensive Plan as Marine Industrial. I will be happy to clarify this at the upcoming hearing.

In regard to the Comprehensive Plan's land use recommendations for its Shipyard Development District, in which the vacant PPL land along Broadway is located, I find nothing in either the plan's Vision section or the more specific land use sections that would prevent the addition of new petroleum storage tanks in a fashion currently allowed by the South Portland Zoning Ordinance. If the Plan intended otherwise, it would have repeated the language it used for its Marine Industrial Districts, which as you know would only "allow existing marine and oil facilities to upgrade or expand on parcels that are already used for this purpose." (p. 6-20)

Hope you are enjoying our fine summer weather.

Sincerely

Tex Haeuser
Planning & Development Director

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