

PETITION TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS IN PARLIAMENT ASSEMBLED

We, the undersigned, citizens of Canada draw the attention of the House to the following:

THAT,

Whereas the proposed Northern Gateway Pipeline requires overturning the current federal-provincial moratorium on oil tanker traffic along the coast of British Columbia, which, since 1972, has kept the British Columbia coastline safe from oil spills.

Whereas running a pipeline from Edmonton, Alberta to Kitimat, British Columbia will threaten fragile ecosystems, wilderness and landscapes, including the Great Bear Rainforest, in British Columbia further creating the potential for oil spills.

Whereas, federal environmental assessment is a legitimate process, conducted under the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, that must be allowed to function without political pressure or arbitrary time limits;

Whereas the federal government has a Constitutional responsibility to First Nations to ensure their inherent rights are respected,

Whereas the Prime Minister and members of the Cabinet have made it clear, in advance of the hearings, that they believe the project should proceed and oil tanker traffic should be allowed in some of the most treacherous waters on earth;

THEREFORE,

Your petitioners, call on the Government of Canada to,

Remove its support for the development of the Northern Gateway Pipeline, assume a neutral position on the outcome, awaiting the evidence, and ensure a full, fair and impartial process under the National Energy Board and Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency.

Names:

Signature [sign your own name, do not print it]

Addresses [full with city and province]

Petition Guidelines

1. A petition should contain signatures of residents of Canada only.
2. There is no minimum age requirement for anyone signing a petition.
3. Each petitioner must sign, not print, their name directly on the petition.
4. If a petitioner cannot sign because of illness or a disability, this must be noted on the petition and the note signed by a witness. Aside from this exception, you can only sign for yourself.
5. A petition must contain original signatures written directly on the document and not pasted, taped, photocopied or otherwise transferred to it.
6. A petition must be single sided.

Please return all signed petitions, postage free, to:

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