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February 3, 2015

San Luis Obispo County Planning Commission  
c/o Murry Wilson of the San Luis Obispo County Department of Planning and Building  
976 Osos Street, Room 200  
San Luis Obispo CA 93408

Re: Phillips 66 Company Rail Spur Extension Project – Request for Denial

Dear Planning Commissioners:

The subject project's EIR concludes that the project could cause a rail accident hazard risk. The Commission action that would avoid this significant public safety risk is denial of the project.

The EIR identifies that trains accessing the project from the Colton rail yard would traverse Ventura County, including the City of Ventura, traveling through the heart of many heavily populated areas, crossing many creeks and rivers, and crossing or running along many critical roads and highways. A rail accident involving oil spills, fire, or explosion could create substantial life safety, health, environmental, and economic consequences in Ventura County, and potentially the City of Ventura.

On Monday, February 2, 2015, the Ventura City Council voted to respectfully request that, in order to protect public safety and the environment, your commission vote to deny the project.

Sincerely,



Cheryl Heitmann  
Mayor



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