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I'm sorry I could not tell when I was muted or not. I'll get better at this! I appreciated your patience.

Here are my comments, or at least a version of what I said today.

This is Laura Gibbons, a member of the climate justice group 350 Seattle, and a Seattle resident.

I am concerned about the impact of aviation on global warming, and I ask that the business plan presented for returning to "normal" in item 7b not be a return status quo.

I am particularly upset by the current operation of so called "ghost planes" as required by the current federal stimulus package. I urge the Port to push all airlines serving SeaTac to request an exception to the rule that they fly nearly empty planes.

In addition to the needless carbon emissions, the noise and other emissions disproportionately affect low-income communities and people of color, which makes flying nearly empty planes an environmental injustice.

Thank you for attention to these matters.

thank you,  
Laura Gibbons

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You should expect to be on the line for between 30 minutes to an hour as we dispose of preliminary business and hear from other speakers. While it's impossible for us to predict how many people will comment on April 28, we expect individual comment time to be limited to two minutes and all rules of order and decorum will apply as usual.

If you have any questions please let us know. We appreciate your dedication to public health and your interest in participating in the Port of Seattle Commission meeting.

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Hi, this is Laura Gibbons and I would like to speak at the 4/28 meeting on the topic of exemptions for flying nearly empty planes from SEATAC.

Many thanks,

Laura