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Dear Port Commissioners,

Here is my written testimony for today's meeting.

Written Comment for Port Commission Meeting of 9/13/22

Nearby wildfires, 13 days above 90 degrees (a new record), ongoing drought, all symptoms of our worsening climate crisis came together in Seattle this weekend. Gov. Inslee announced that we had the worst air quality of a major city in the world on Saturday. Having lung disease and not wanting to expose myself to the unhealthy air I didn't go outside all weekend or on Monday. How privileged I am to have a home to be in. Not so for unhoused neighbors. Nor do a few days of unhealthy air compare to one third of Pakistan being underwater due to devastating floods, killing 1300 people and displacing more than a million.

No serious person continues to deny that human caused climate change is destroying our environment, climate, desertifying our land, acidifying our oceans, causing mass extinction of tens of thousands of species and killing hundreds of thousands of humans. And though here in Seattle the effects are minor, relatively speaking, they are evident. Some officials are responding. Our city energy codes are being upgraded to phase out gas in new construction and towards renewable electric power for home and water heating, and even cooking. EVs are becoming more popular and EV infrastructure is being planned and built.

Here at the Port you've worked on creating shore power possibilities and used solar panels on building roofs. This is important but it's not nearly enough. While the maritime industry begins to address transitioning to clean renewable power to move cargo, the Port is growing its cruise business and investing hundreds of thousands of dollars into increasing cruise tourism.

With all due respect, this is unconscionable and disrespectful. To say in one moment that you're reaching your climate goals in line with the Paris Agreement and then pouring thousands into how to increase global cruise tourism from Seattle to Alaska makes no sense. Though clean power sources for large ships may be possible in the future, it's a long way off, decades possibly. And we must stop pumping carbon into the atmosphere now. Transporting cargo is one thing, cruising is another. Cruising is an unnecessary activity available to a small percentage of the world's population and causing harm to the majority of the world's population.

As Port Commissioners you have an oversized responsibility to your community, to the region, and to the world. You act as if your primary allegiance is to the cruise industry. But the cruise industry owners don't care about you or Seattle or the melting glaciers. They care about their business model which does not take into consideration the harm their business practices cause.

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Cruise vacations no longer have a place in today's world. It is time to transition to businesses and industries that nurture rather than destroys life.

Sincerely,
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PETITION: HUMANE DRIVER
REST AREA AT SEA-TAC AIRPORT

Dear Port of Seattle Executive Director Stephen Metruck and Port Commissioners,

Hundreds of Uber and Lyft drivers work at the 160th Airport waiting lot every day. We demand a humane rest area. We call on the Port of Seattle to expand plans for a driver rest area to include covered space for drivers to rest, eat and pray, in addition to sanitary bathroom facilities.

Sincerely,

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Hi Michelle, Hope you are staying healthy during this terrible smoke wave we are having right now.

Please sign me up for public comment at noon this Tuesday. Topic: Board of Ethics. Attached is my written comment.

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My name is Jordan Van Voast. I'd like to thank Chief of Staff Pritchard, Clerk Hart, and Mr. Emsky for interviewing me for the Board of Ethics position. Congratulations to Ms. Pulsifer on her appointment. Anyone who volunteers for an unpaid position with wide public responsibility deserves respect and admiration. I offer these thoughts about the Ethics Board: First, I note in the application posted on the Port's website that "Members may not be a Port Commissioner or employee of the Port." In order to avoid the appearance of a conflict, I would recommend that be amended to also include "any former employee of the Port." With all due respect to Ms. Pulsifer's distinguished career, it raises ethical concerns when a former employee fills a position as an ethics judge at the institution that previously paid her salary.

Second, isn't there also a conflict when the Commission staff chooses the Ethics Board members tasked with investigating the very people that they serve? Widespread concern was recently expressed when a former President undergoing criminal investigation was granted a Special Master by a judge that he appointed. How is this situation different from an ethical viewpoint?

I have no reason to doubt the integrity of any of the current Port Commissioners. However, I believe we have a complex institutional problem that operates unconsciously in decision makers of most elected bodies. Ethical governance needs to be accountable not only to the public, but to the planet and to

future generations of life, and that requires a new kind of ethical thinking. Institutions which operate within the capitalist paradigm have thus far been notoriously slow to acknowledge this problem, hence the need for greater transparency and true independent oversight.

