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COLUMBIA RIVER CROSSING DRAFT EIS
PUBLIC HEARING

WEDNESDAY, MAY 28, 2008

RED LION HOTEL
VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON

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1 FRANK MCBARRON: My name is Frank
2 McBarron and I have -- (inaudible) -- high
3 density and the current plan for the road
4 to Clark College. I live at 1451
5 Southeast Columbia Way, one mile east here
6 on the Columbia River.

7 I take light rail about twice a week
8 to Third and Yamhill in Downtown Portland
9 and I testify in court whether folks are
10 disabled or not. My wife drives me to the
11 Hood -- to the Cascade Station around
12 eight miles and then picks me up when I am
13 done. I testified for two hours today,
14 went to and returned from Portland without
15 event.

16 Since the gentleman was assaulted in
17 Gresham, the cars have become remarkably
18 safe. With my training, I easily
19 recognize dysfunctional people. Prior to
20 the Gresham event, I saw a lot of
21 dysfunctional people and it's only a
22 problem if you are agitated.

23 Since that event -- I've been doing
24 this for seven years, and twice I had to
25 intervene and that is very dangerous.



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1 Since then, I have seen one event of a
2 significantly disabled person at the Rose
3 Garden Station and that was handled by
4 Dispatch by the Tri-Met people.

5 The new recommendation by the three
6 Tri-Met commissioners are arrogant and
7 should never have reached the media. Any
8 of us can conjure up a better way than the
9 recommended I-5 bridge -- then I think it
10 is three or five, I couldn't tell which
11 one it was -- to the Clark College area
12 that I recommended.

13 I, from the beginning, however, will
14 have turned light rail west from the Expo
15 Station to a new railroad bridge to build
16 new railroad bridge with the current heavy
17 rail, light rail and anticipated TGV, a
18 200-plus mile-an-hour train between
19 Portland and Vancouver BC.

20 The bridge would obviously make river
21 traffic safer and better. The (inaudible)
22 would extend to the portland airport. I
23 think by 2050 no airplane should go
24 between those cities. Now I would tell
25 you it's just as arrogant for me to

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1 present that recommendation then it is for
2 these three gentlemen from Tri-Met to
3 present their recommendation at this late
4 date. That is just utter nonsense. My
5 idea is better than their idea and how
6 dare they.

7 Tri-Met must include Vancouver
8 (inaudible) as soon as possible.
9 Quad-Met, as I call it, must become more
10 transparent. The exact cost (inaudible)
11 should be told and we should be published
12 at least once a month so we know.
13 (Inaudible) should also be there.

14 (Inaudible) evaluation of the
15 investment because of light rail -- I
16 called Tri-Met and they told me it's
17 currently about six to eight billion
18 dollars that's occurred in Portland.

19 Thank you.

20 HAL DINGERINK: Thank you, Frank.
21 Stephanie.

22 STEPHANIE TURLAY: Thank you. My
23 name is Stephanie Turlay. I live at 2211
24 Northeast 157th Avenue here in Vancouver.

25 Across the country, with few

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