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Dear Malibu Resident,

We, your neighbors, are extremely alarmed by the Cabrillo Port Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) facility that is being proposed off the coast of Malibu and Oxnard by BHP Billiton. **We want to stop the BHP Billiton LNG Terminal now!**

BHP Billiton, the largest mining company in the world, intends to build a massive floating LNG terminal just 14 miles off our coast. Once built, the terminal will be the length of three football fields, 14 stories high and will receive, store and process LNG, a highly flammable substance, from huge LNG tankers that arrive at least two to three times a week from various foreign countries.

This LNG project poses significant and potentially irreversible negative impacts to our coast, our environment and to the health and safety of our families and is currently on track to receive its first approval as early as December 2006. Grassroots community opposition successfully kept LNG out of Humboldt Bay and Mare Island. We can keep LNG out of our community too, but time is of the essence and we need your help.

There have been several hazardous and even fatal accidents associated with LNG facilities in the United States and around the world. For example, in 2004 an explosion at an LNG liquefaction facility in Algeria killed 27 and injured 80. Unlike the natural gas that you use in your house for heating and cooking, LNG is a *liquid* fossil fuel, which must be converted back into a gaseous state. It is during this regasification process that the potential for a catastrophic event can occur.

In addition to posing grave threats to our safety, there are other problems with this project. This floating LNG terminal will emit more than 200 tons of smog-producing pollutants per year, in an area long known for high occurrences of asthma in both children and adults. Additionally, it is estimated that the project as a whole will emit 25,000,000 tons of greenhouse gas emissions annually, further contributing to global warming. The proposed LNG terminal will also be tremendously harmful to the ocean's ecosystem and marine life. The negative impacts from this project on our air, our water and our environment are potentially devastating.

Further, in 2003, an alarming Congressional Research Report stated that LNG posed "a serious hazard of explosion or fire" and described LNG terminals and tankers as "vulnerable to terrorist attack."

Beginning this September there will be a series of public forums where you can voice your concerns and lend your support. For more information, or to find out how you can help stop this project, please visit www.coastaladvocates.com or call 310-230-4210.

We are determined to protect all of our families' health, safety and quality of life. As concerned residents, we hope you will join us.

Sincerely,

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