

Written Testimony

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*The two documents and my comments, I'm submitting for the record are my opinion, not those of Pacific nor WC CAN*

My major concern is that DEQ has no basis for making an independent review of Intel's permit as to issues of air and water quality hazards associated with the operations under review. DEQ is totally reliant on Intel's internal self-assessment. This is unacceptable by any standard.

This is astounding for a state agency whose mission statement references "restoring, maintaining and enhancing the quality of Oregon's air, land and water. " As a state agency created in 1969 during the McCall era, 1967-75 I can't fathom this failure of oversight by the DEQ.

But given the reality, this means the serious concerns being raised will ultimately default to the EPA and require federal oversight while DEQ becomes a de factor partner with Intel, a company which DEQ should be regulating not simply rubberstamping.

I then attached my blog post – [Oregon's future love canal?](#)

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