Dear Mr. McLerran,

The EPA's proposed cleanup of the Portland Harbor is a big win for polluters and a bad deal for the public. The draft cleanup plan relies too much on "monitored natural recovery," a "do nothing" strategy that leaves pollution in the river in the hopes that it will either be covered over or flushed downstream. A more aggressive cleanup plan is needed to prevent continued harm to human health and the environment. On behalf of all people who rely on the river for food, recreation, employment, culture, and wildlife viewing opportunities, I recommend:

1) That the EPA select Alternative "G," with modifications of additional dredged acreage recommended by the Audubon Society of Portland.
2) The Cleanup Plan must result in the removal of the Fish Consumption Advisory so that eating fish from the Lower Willamette is just as safe as eating fish from anywhere else in the Willamette River System and this must occur within a 10-20 year time frame.
3) Toxic dredged sediments must be taken to an appropriate landfill. Creating a toxic waste disposal dump in our river is not acceptable.
4) Entities with liability for the pollution must be held accountable and pay for a comprehensive cleanup that will protect the health of our communities, our environment and our wildlife.

These elements get us closer to the plan our communities deserve. We deserve a clean, safe Portland Harbor.

We need a river safe for swimming, Kayaking AND fishing. The most vulnerable are impacted by the toxins in the food supply.

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