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WEST COAST OLEFINS LTD NOT WELCOME IN LTFN TERRITORY

LTFN Territory – Lheidli T'enneh First Nation Chief Dolleen Logan declared today that West Coast Olefins Ltd (WCOL) is not welcome in LTFN Territory and on LTFN unceded ancestral lands. I make this declaration today on behalf of our members, Chief and Council and Administration. WCOL has recently indicated its intent to locate a natural gas extraction plant in the Pineview Area of Prince George. The company has also proposed to build a petrochemical plant in the BCR area.

LTFN Chief Logan states “I make this declaration today on behalf of our members, Chief and Council and administration. I want the federal Government, the BC government, and our local government partners to be clear in our position about this company and these projects. I want the Canadian financial and energy sectors to be very clear about our position. WCOL is not welcome in our territory and on our unceded ancestral lands.”

Chief Logan continued “The CEO of WCOL Ken James is not listening. As far back as December 2019 our former Chief, Dayi Pountney stated that our nation did not support the project after WCOL CEO Ken James told a business television program that the local community and the local First Nations are supportive of this. Then again last December both Dayi Pountney and McLeod Lake Indian Band Chief Harley Chingee issued a statement making it clear that our communities did not support the proposed WCOL project for the BCR site and further, that there would be no further negotiations with WCOL. Our communities have stated repeatedly that we want nothing to do with Ken James or WCOL. He is ignoring the fact that we own our unceded ancestral lands and that to gain approval from both the federal and BC governments for such projects, you must have our support. One has to wonder what is motivating Ken James to continue to try and convince people in Prince George that his project is viable?”

Chief Logan concluded “I have received telephone calls from residents in the Pineview area asking what our position on these projects is. I want to be very clear with everyone that WCOL is not welcome in our territory and on our unceded ancestral lands. Hopefully, one of these days Ken James will get the message and move on!”

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