From: Evergreen Islands [mailto:evergreen.islands@frontier.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 01, 2012 8:02 AM
To: Planning & Development Services
Cc: TawneeBosman
Subject: Request for Ms. Ehlers Disqualification Re PL11-0250
Importance: High

To: Jason Easton, Skagit County Planning Commission Chair

Dear Mr. Easton:

On reviewing the comments for the 2011 Comprehensive Plan amendments, I was surprised at the level of personal involvement Commissioner Carol Ehlers in the Lake Erie Trucking Amendment proposal (PL11-0250). In her November 22, 2011 letter^[1] to the Skagit County Commissioner, Ms. Ehlers clearly acted as a proponent for Lake Erie Trucking. A copy of Ms. Ehlers is included as Attachment 1.

Based on a concern for fairness, I reviewed the Municipal Research and Services Center (MRSC) report, "The Appearance of Fairness in Washington State."^[2] On review, the rezone of Lake Erie Trucking's single parcel is a quasi-judicial action, and Ms. Ehlers' participation and submissions violate the Appearance of Fairness Doctrine.

Consequently, Evergreen Islands requests that the Skagit County Planning Commission disqualify Ms. Ehlers from participating in the Lake Erie Trucking rezone proposal. Evergreen Islands' comments justifying our request are presented the attached letter.

Respectfully yours,

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Tom Glade President, Evergreen Islands

^[1] Carol Ehlers Letter to the Skagit County Commissioners, "Request for docketing and approval of Rezone PL11-0250

⁽hereafterP19168),"November 22, 2011.

^[2] "The Appearance of Fairness in Washington State," Municipal Research and Services Center Report Number 32, revised April 2011.