Dear Maritime Administration,

My name is ________________________________ and I am in _______ grade. I am writing against the SEA Port Oil Terminal (SPOT) project.

The SPOT project is an oil pipeline 168 miles long, with two 36-inch diameter pipes, travelling from Houston to Surfside Beach, where it will eventually travel under the seafloor to the oil terminal. The pipeline will cross 149 wetlands and one major river. It will pass by the drinking water wells for the Surfside community and through endangered sea turtle habitat, threatening the community’s drinking water and the local wildlife. The pipeline is anticipated to result in 568 spills per year over a 30-year period, 20 of which are considered “major” spills of 1,000 barrels of oil or more.

Oil spills can have some of the following lasting impacts:

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Sincerely,