

## Wealthy Foreign-Owned Company Pollutiing Grays Harbor: Pacific Northwest Renewable Energy (PNWRE) Plans for Wood-Chip Plant in Hoquiam, Wa

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To Lauren Whybrew, ORCAA, Mayor of Hoquiam, Mayor of Aberdeen, City Council members, members of the press, and the public at large.

It's been brought to my attention that ORCAA is considering the application for operations to begin of a "Renewable Energy" company to produce wood-chips in a plant in Hoquiam, very close to wildlife sanctuaries, and public schools.

By their own admission, this plant is likely to emit as much if not more than 100tons of pollutants into the air per year. This will directly expose the children, and the wildlife in Grays Harbor county to toxic chemicals, and presents a real long term safety risk that has not been properly explored.

In addition to that, the company that has applied for this opportunity, Pacific Northwest Renewable Energy, is not even located in the Pacific Northwest. The company was registered and opened in the State of Massachusetts. The CEO Mark Boivin of the company appears to reside at a \$2million dollar 4,000sq ft home in rural Ma. surrounded by a large property full of vibrant trees and a beautiful yard, based on the fact that this private residence is the registered Headquarters of Pacific Northwest Renewable Energy. 35-A Creamery Rd, Egremont, MA 01230 or 35A CREAMERY RD, GT BARRINGTON, MA, 01230 depending on which set of records you look up. But Here's the Zillow listing for the property. [https://www.zillow.com/homedetails/35-A-Creamery-Rd-Egremont-MA-01230/2090811595\\_zpid/](https://www.zillow.com/homedetails/35-A-Creamery-Rd-Egremont-MA-01230/2090811595_zpid/)

Beyond the fact that the CEO lives a luxurious life across the country, there's the fact that this company is actually owned by a parent company, called Farnese Partners, registered and headquartered in the UK, owned by an Australian citizen named Philip Heason.

So my question to ORCAA, and the local government officials considering allowing this to happen is this: Why are you allowing a wealthy multi-national company with deceptive branding and naming to pollute our community while the citizens of another country profit off of the detriment caused to the local Grays Harbor ecosystem?

My question to the local Media, is why are you not reporting on this, and exposing the deceptive practices of multinational companies operating in our community to the wider public?

And to members of the public, my question is this: Do you want to allow a multinational company to pollute our community for a few people here to get new jobs, while the executives in Massachusetts and the UK reap \$millions?

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