



CENTRAL COUNCIL  
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CENTRAL COUNCIL OF TLINGIT AND HAIDA INDIAN TRIBES OF ALASKA  
Eighty-First Annual Tribal Assembly  
April 20-22, 2016  
Juneau, Alaska

Resolution TA/ 16-08

Title, Opposition to the Proposed Enbridge Northern Gateway Pipeline Project

By, Ketchikan Tlingit and Haida Community Council

WHEREAS, the Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (Central Council) is a federally recognized tribe with more than 30,000 tribal citizens; and

WHEREAS, Enbridge proposes to build two parallel pipelines 727 miles long through Alberta and British Columbia to export crude oil, tar sands bitumen and other oil products; and

WHEREAS, these pipelines would involve over 1000 stream and river crossings and carry at least 525,000 barrels of crude oil per day, 193,000 barrels of condensate per day, and

WHEREAS, the Enbridge Northern Gateway Pipeline Project will result in at least 225 tanker ships a year travelling through the territories of sovereign Indian nations and Dixon Entrance; and

WHEREAS, British Columbia has drastically reduced its oil spill response capabilities as demonstrated by last year's near grounding of a tanker off Haida Gwaii; and

WHEREAS the communities of this area rely heavily on the food security provided from clean water; and

WHEREAS Central Council and other Tribes have absolute jurisdiction over our tribal citizens, our resources and our lives with the right to maintain productive lands and waters; and

WHEREAS Central Council laws and customs define our responsibilities to protect our lands and waters for future generations; and

WHEREAS Central Council will not put their traditional territories, waters, and communities at risk caused by the proposed Enbridge Northern Gateway pipeline and crude oil tanker traffic.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Eighty-First Tribal Assembly of Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska delegation convened in Juneau, Alaska on April 20-22, 2016, that Central Council oppose the Enbridge Northern Gateway Pipeline Project.

ADOPTED this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April 2016, by the Eighty-First Tribal Assembly of Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska.

**CERTIFY**



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President Richard J. Peterson

**ATTEST**



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Tribal Secretary Ralph Wolfe