
Oil spill reported in downtown Vancouver

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Dear Cody

Another oil spill was reported today in downtown Vancouver!

This time, Greenpeace was responsible. We set up a mock oil spill in front of Enbridge's Northern Gateway pipeline offices, just across the street from the organization in charge of responding to oil spills: Environment Canada's Environmental Emergencies office. The regional oil spill response unit will be closed as part of the Harper government's budget cuts, just as new pipelines are being proposed to carry toxic crude from the tar sands to the west coast.

Volunteers in oil-stained hazmat suits challenged Enbridge, asking them how they planned to respond to environmental disasters given the government's reduced capacity to respond to emergencies.

While we'd love to hear Enbridge's response, we're not expecting a real answer anytime soon. Bill C-38, the federal budget implementation bill, is set to severely weaken environmental laws and institutions, making major cuts to scientific research, reducing capacity for emergency environmental response and fast-tracking the approval of risky industrial projects like new tar sands pipelines.

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Today, June 13th at 5:30PM local time across Canada, concerned citizens are rallying in their home ridings to call for a stop to the bill and the removal of changes to environmental laws.

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Major changes to environmental laws must face proper review and scrutiny. Hiding such important legislation in a budget implementation bill is simply undemocratic. Canadians deserve better and it's time to take action.

Sincerely,



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