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Estrella,
Please see email below for Ward Cove commentary.

Amie

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From: John Messmer [mailto:johmes7@gmail.com]
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Subject: Ward Cove Development #POA-2019, Request for public hearing

To whom it may concern:

I am writing this email as a citizen of Ketchikan Gateway Borough and user of the local waterways, concerning the proposed Ward Cove Cruise Ship Dock Project #POA-2019-00313.

From what I have discovered from my own and the research of others about the history of this site it appears that the containment of with the toxins remaining on the site is not adequate for the proposed uses.
The construction process including driving piling for the dock and the berthing of large cruise ships with Azipod type propulsion systems would seem to have a strong possibility to disturb the shallow cap containing the toxins left on the bottom, releasing toxins into the Ward Cove and Ward Creek system and the surrounding area and marine life therein.
Major construction and heavy use of the uplands is another possible area of concern for water quality problems.

At the very least it looks like this proposed development would require

a public hearing. Also there should be further study and plans in place for more remediation and monitoring before a permit is granted for the project, possibly not allowing this type of development at all.

Thank you for your attention to this email Sincerely, John Messmer
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