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Dear Senator Brenner and Representative Tucker:

My name is Karen Wentworth, and I am a resident of South Portland. I am writing in support of LD1532.

My attention was first drawn to the issue of South Portland's air quality when my friend's son reported he had to move from his apartment due to fumes from the nearby oil tank farm. They were so strong that he did not open his windows. We all know air pollution impacts our health and well-being in a myriad of ways.

The corporations profiting from the oil tanks should already be supporting all efforts to insure good air quality to demonstrate to the town's people that they are in fact the good neighbors they claim to be. Since that is not the case, LD1532 will require them to provide fence-line monitoring and emissions control technology when they are not in compliance.

We all learn as children that it is important to clean up after ourselves. Supporting this bill supports the health of our community.