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The tragic eminent domain abuse story of Susette Kelo has taken a final saddening turn. After Kelo lost her Supreme Court battle in 2005, her property, along with the property of her neighbors, was taken by the city of New London, Conn. and handed over the pharmaceutical company Pfizer for private economic development. Four years later, the former home sites remain empty and undeveloped while Pfizer announced this week that it will be closing its facility in New London and moving to greener economic pastures.

Meanwhile, a similar, non-sensical case of eminent domain abuse has made its way to Seatac, WA. Read the entire story on EFF's Liberty Live Blog.

Marc Scribner of the the Competitive Enterprise Institute also gave a great report on Pfizer's recent announcement. You can read his story here, along with a helpful article he wrote in October outlining four practical reforms for stopping eminent domain abuse.

In New York, filmmakers are currently creating a documentary titled *Battle of Brooklyn*, which chronicles Daniel Goldstein's 5-year battle to save his own home and community from eminent domain abuse. *Learn more about this project and watch the trailer for this compelling film.*

Updates from Ecology's Department of Climate Change

Low Carbon Fuel Standards Workshops

The next workshop on Low Carbon Fuel Standards is scheduled for Friday, November 20. For additional information, visit Ecology's web page: http://www.ecy.wa.gov/climatechange/fuelstandards.htm

Western Climate Initiative

The next WCI Partner meeting will be on November 18 in Santa Fe, NM. The agenda will be posted on the WCI website when available. Stakeholders are invited to attend in-person or via teleconference. There is no charge to participate in the meeting, but participants are asked to register by November 13 to ensure sufficient capacity. Click here-to-register.

Press Release: Groups continue to work on programs to reduce GHG Emissions

"OLYMPIA – Washington and 22 other states are working together to support federal efforts to develop a national program to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Western Climate Initiative representatives met Monday and Tuesday in Washington, D.C., with two other regional coalitions working to curb climate change. The other groups are the Midwestern Greenhouse Gas Reduction Accord and the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, made up of East Coast and Mid-Atlantic states.

The groups discussed how they can work more closely together on common issues. Representatives said the coalitions' common ground is an important asset as the nation moves toward a national climate change program ... "

Read the full press release:

Groups continue work on national, regional programs to reduce greenhouse gas emissions

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