

Climate activists win landmark victory in Oregon after presenting necessary defense



Portland, March 3 (RHC)-- In a victory for climate activists, a Portland, Oregon, jury refused to convict five Extinction Rebellion members for blocking railroad tracks used to transport oil by Zenith Energy Corporation and other oil companies.

The activists were acquitted after presenting a necessity defense. Valve turner Ken Ward -- one of the "Zenith 5" -- said of the landmark victory: "When citizens are told the truth about the climate crisis — which is the first of Extinction Rebellion's demands — they take appropriate and responsible action, as our jury did, and we thank them."

In other environmental activism news, police arrested members of Extinction Rebellion NYC as they blocked construction of a National Grid fracked gas pipeline in Brooklyn, New York.



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