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Ban scrubbers. There is a loophole that allows cruise ships to burn heavy fuel oil, one of the dirtiest fuel oils, by 'scrubbing' the exhaust and discharging the toxin-laden wastewater directly into the ocean. Therefore, I strongly support amendment #2 to ban scrubbers.

The cruise industry needs to show that they are committed to ending their polluting ways by no longer dumping any scrubber wastes in Puget Sound. This is another reason to approve amendment #2 and ban scrubbers.

Most importantly, the Marine ecosystem needs a healthy home to survive. The water pollution cruise ships create must end. The harm done by their dumping far far outweighs any temporary profit made by the cruise ship industry. Amendment #2 will help the Sound.