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Dear Mr. Doenges:

Sometimes the allure of perfection eclipses the possible. The dream of a giant leap threatens an incremental step.

Kalama Manufacturing and Marine Export Facility's Draft Second Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement demonstrates that KMMEF's proposed methanol plant is an important incremental step.

The Draft Second SEIS, using foreseeable variables and thoughtful and exhaustive analyses, demonstrates several things, among them:

1. KMMEF's proposed methanol production will reduce net GHG compared to filling the demand with available alternatives.
2. Worldwide demand for methanol is projected to increase over the next several decades.
3. Whether methanol is used as fuel or olefin production, KMMEF's methanol production is better for the environment than existing sources.

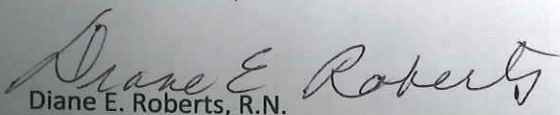
As health care professionals, we have previously looked carefully at the health effects of methanol manufacturing, reviewing the medical research over the past several decades. Because the toxic effects of methanol have been well documented and the physiology well understood, appropriate safeguards limiting exposure have long been in place. As long as these are maintained, the process is safe both for employees and for the community.

As environmentally sensitive retired physician and nurse and former Kalama residents, it is apparent to us that KMMEF has made a compelling case that its planned facility will result in less global GHG emissions and deserves ecology's approval.

Sincerely,



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