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Ecology should not assume that future energy needs must be met by fossil fuels.

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Ecology should be requiring mitigation of the full impact of the Kalama refinery.

The SEIS continues to use low estimates of methane leakage.

The SEIS continues to rely on a narrow set of “bottom-up” estimates for its methane leakage estimates. The SEIS should instead evaluate methane leakage rates based on “top-down” observations.

The SEIS makes unreasonable assumptions about the potential source of fracked gas and its impacts.

The analysis fails to NWIW spent five years attempting to mislead Washington account for the long-term impact of plastics.