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Hello!

I write to you as I sit and watch the smoke clogged skies in Portland, OR. It's too toxic to be outside which just a taste of things to come as our planet heats up. Yes, the fires were caused by a freak wind event, but also due to our forests drying up from climate change. Countless people are suffering respiratory distress, people have lost their homes, people have lost their livelihoods and more tragically people have lost their lives. That's the impact on humans, consider the animals dead and dying because of these wildfires, consider the vast amount of habitat destruction. How much can more loss is acceptable?

The Kalama plant is one more step in the wrong direction, feeding our addiction to fossil fuels. There are no good reasons for this plant to go on-line. NONE! Clean, green, renewable, alternative energy sources exist and we should be pumping all of our resources into utilizing them. Pan Pacific Energy's assertion that this is good for the planet because it will stop China from burning coal is pure speculation and bunk. We have no idea how these markets will act in years to come. Do what is good for the planet today with the information that we are certain of, namely that this plant would pump more greenhouse gases into the environment, hastening climate change. Reject this ill-conceived, foolhardy project.

Sincerely,
Kim Jarvis