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Dear Sirs:

As a Washington state tax payer I wish to oppose the development of the Kalama Methanol plant proposal. My reading recently on the project informs me that much of its output is to create products for export to China. I do not feel the risk to our environment is worth benefiting a country we are presently in a low key trade war with.

I am further offended by the knowledge that significant property will need to be appropriated by the extension of pipelines to this facility that will negatively affect my fellow taxpayers' rights. If it was to create end products that this country genuinely needs, (besides jobs), it might be a risk worth considering but not otherwise.

We are able to produce this product domestically in sufficient quantities, indeed excess quantity and do not need to help the Chinese produce more of it. Let them open their markets more to our products, before selling them materials to produce and sell into our end markets.

In closing I would state that this project seems to be at odds with our Pacific NW identity and will have negative consequences to Washington state that will more than offset those benefits the project theorizes it might provide. I feel you are burdening the taxpayer with a project that could become obsolete or problematic in a few years and we should not be required to support, either on a state or federal level, this project in any way.

Respectfully submitted:

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