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To: Environmental Review Board for the Kalama Methanol Plant

Subject: This plant will cause an increase in CO2 emissions and increase climate change.

Request: Turn this project down.

According to their own environmental impact statement this methanol plant will emit 2.9 million tons of CO2 per year, making it the largest stationary source of climate pollution in our state except for Centralia's TransAlta Power Plant which will shut down in 2025.

The International Panel Environment Climate Change, IPECC, has issued a warning that we have "only 12 years to lower world CO2 emissions before climate change is irreversible." Climate change has already caused increased wild fires, severe storms, flooding and drought, costing U.S. taxpayers billions of dollars annually. As our climate warms these catastrophes will only get worse. To contain warming to 1.5 degrees Celsius or (2.7 degrees Fahrenheit), manmade CO2 emissions would need be reduced to about 45% by 2030, from 2010 levels and reach net zero by 2050." This will be difficult to do, but we must do it starting right here in our state by giving a resounding "No" to the proposed Methanol plant in Kalama. Future generations are counting on us to listen to the climate scientists and reduce our CO2 emissions. Instead of building more fossil fuel plants such as this, we must, lead the way toward becoming the 1st state to rely on 100% green energy as quickly as possible. After all, we are the Evergreen state. Let's live up to our name.

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