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Please do not assume that our energy future depends upon fossil fuel use. Solar energy is becoming very affordable and is a good solution for future energy needs.

(NWIW) is trying to build the world's largest fracked gas-to-methanol refinery in SW Washington. It would cause millions of tons of greenhouse gas pollution, use millions of gallons of water from an aquifer connected to the Columbia River each day, pollute the air with cancer-causing emissions, and pose safety hazards during an earthquake. The refinery would use more fracked gas than all the gas-fired power plants in Washington, combined. And the refinery would induce new fracked gas pipeline expansions throughout the region.

The proposed NWIW methanol refinery would cause millions of tons of greenhouse gas pollution each year, for 40 years. This will put my grandchildren, great grandchildren and all species with whom we share this world. Ecology's analysis demonstrated that the project would produce 4.6 million tons of carbon pollution each year, or more. This level of pollution is profoundly inconsistent with achieving Washington's climate goals, protecting Washington's Shorelines, and charting a path to keep global temperature rise below 2 degrees C.

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We cannot afford to risk the future by making unwise decisions in the present. Please be more far-sighted and deny any permits for this fracked-gas refinery. These young girls are seeking a livable future. Don't let them down!



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