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Dept. of Ecology,

I hope you are feeling overwhelming grateful for the tremendous response to the SSEIS. I am a resident of Kalama for only 12 years; but this was to be my forever/retirement move after 9 homes in a 40 year span. On hearing about this proposed Methanol refinery, I was filled with sadness, anger, and at least a determination to at least fight it.

I wasn't going to be alone. There were agencies today to protect us. They came about in the 70s when a very big need to stop and reverse the pollution of cars and industries was identified. Amazing! Departments of Ecology in many states and the EPA were so successful. The work will never end and most of the work will be prevention. So thank you to the many hundreds who joined us here in Cowlitz County. Each letter of opposition conjured up memories of a filled convention/fairgrounds center, a sea of red shirted folks united in opposition. Thank you to the scientific brains who were able to separate facts from fictitious speculation. You were able to supply evidence of the enormity of this plan from the source to completion.

In the end, the final is that this refinery will contribute 4.6 million tons of GHG emissions yearly IF built. There's no mitigation because there are NO binding contracts with the Chinese Government. The Chinese Government fails to honor contracts, bullies neighboring free territories-Taiwan and Hong Kong. The Chinese Government has both a recent and long standing record of lieing and bullying. Until they reverse this and for decades, our Port of Kalama dealings with them should stay in grain, food, and wood.

In the future, if America needs plastic manufacturing for uses here in the USA, it should be done here, close to the source of product. We have high standards in the US and manufacturing plants have no place in densely populated locations along the Columbia River

Future generations will have to be responsible for defining how to accomplish renewable energy and what products will be necessary to accomplish this and be sure what America needs is made in America..Thanks to the leadership of CRK, Sierra Club, Earth Justice, etc., the work to protect our corner of the world and planet as a whole successfully continues.

I pray daily truth will prevail. It's been a long 41/2 years. May it finally be done and buried.