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Hello, my name is Mike Reuter. I am speaking here as an individual and not as the Mayor of Kalama. I have serious concerns that Northwest Innovation Works is not going to be here long enough to be accountable for long term concrete emissions mitigation. The reason why I have these dots are as follows. According to Washingtons Secretary of State, Pan-Pacific Energy, the parent company of Northwest Innovation Works, UBI number 603371412 is a foreign profit company. They report 11 to 28 workers to L&I. As of September 15th, 2020, Northwest Innovation Works LLC, Kalama no longer has an active license with L&I in Washington. According to ProPublica, Pan-Pacific Energy received \$150,000 to \$300,000 in CARES Act loans to maintain eight jobs.

My question is, is this really a Chinese-backed company or a group of speculators trying to find enough money to survive after British Petroleum pulled out as their biggest partner? How can the CARES Act loans were given to Pan-Pacific Energy and not for Northwest Innovation Works? If the port and the county really believe that Northwest Innovation Works will abide by the commitments for greenhouse gas emissions, the EPA should be the ones who will be responsible as Northwest Innovation Works is not able to comply with its requirements. If every environmental group doesn't fall for the claims that this company has promised, how can the Department of Ecology do so? Thank you very much