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I do not want a methanol plant anywhere in the Pacific Northwest. Last week SW Washington suffered the worst air quality in the world and tropical storms ravaged the south east. Some claim climate change is a hoax, but I believe it is real; and the forest fires and hurricanes are manifestations of climate change.

I have been a WDFW fish biologist for 28 years and have monitored climate change locally. It is accelerating annually, with this summer being a clear (or smokey) indicator that the time for action has ended. It is time for action. Methane gas is 20 times more dangerous for the climate than CO<sub>2</sub>. This project is fraught with methane gas leak potential, from the initial fracking process in Canada, through the transit process to Kalama. It is not even a WA or US company that benefits, but a Chinese company whose previous positions are contradictory.

This is not good for the Pacific northwest. Do not permit this plant. Thank you.

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