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I've been working to stop the methanol refinery for almost 5 years. I've read EVERY word of every EIS, related document, and public comment. There are only 2 reasons ever given to build this monstrosity: the "displacement" theory and jobs, jobs, jobs.

(1) The displacement theory in the DSSIES is completely bogus, and everyone knows it. There is NO guarantee China is going to stop burning coal to make methanol. And if NWIW, the Port of Kalama, and Cowlitz County legislators cared one inkling about coal emissions they would have been against Millennium Coal terminal in Longview but instead supported it 100%. The entire displacement theory is completely speculative and should be disregarded.

(2) Ecology's "displacement" argument in the DSSEIS assumes China is never going to work toward a better climate future, so why should Washington. SO INFURIATING! The people of Washington, the Governor of Washington, and I had (mistakenly?) thought the Dept. of Ecology in Washington all "got it" ♦♦ that we were going to work together toward a clean green future with massive REDUCTIONS in GHG emissions as we QUICKLY transition to sustainable carbon free energies. But the DSSEIS assumes we carry on the "status quo" of fossil fuel use for another 40 years. YIKES! Even doing so for another 10 means "game over" for humanity per the IPCC and other well documented scientific reports. Ecology ♦♦ you can't really believe spewing 4.6 million metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e every year for the next 40 years can be "displaced" or "mitigated" can you? Come on!

(3) Jobs. Hmph. First off NWIW is lying. The people of Cowlitz County aren't getting living wage jobs ♦♦ not temporarily in construction (the facility is modular, built in China, assembled here), not permanent (Kalama has not a single Mandarin fluent methanol engineer). NWIW already applied for H1B Visas to bring workers over from China. The rest would come from the gulf coast. And even if we were to get 200 permanent jobs and 1000 temporary, what use is a job when you cannot breathe the air? Or your family member is dying of cancer from 59 toxic pollutants spewed into the air (cite: SEPA 2016)

DENY the shorelines permit and quickly so we can get on with the business of finding a sustainable business to build on the Port's vacant 92 acres. Enough is enough!