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ALL fossil fuels are dirty. They're dirty to obtain, dirty to burn, and continually dirty because their continued usage interferes with the development of clean, renewable energy sources.

And hydraulic fracturing is the most insanely dirty fracking fossil fuel. It consumes untold thousands of gallons of clean water to be pumped into the ground, WASTING that water. At the same time, it pumps a POISONOUS COCKTAIL, by the gallon upon gallon, into the ground, where it pollutes underground water tables and soil, as well.

Then, this sludge needs to be refined, wasting MORE resources. Once refined, it needs to be piped to its use destination, and pipelines are INHERENTLY DANGEROUS. Further, this fuel is not even used here in America. It is pumped onto ships, thus providing MORE opportunities for polluting the water and air.

Naturally, causing THAT MUCH DAMAGE to the fracking site DESTABILIZES the earth and causes earthquakes. I'm told that they're tiny earthquakes, but that is RUBBISH. ANY earthquake is ANYTHING BUT GOOD.

Only the OWNERS of the fracking industry benefit. TO HELL WITH THEM. WE, THE PEOPLE matter much, much more. And the corporate nonsense of "proprietary methods" used to keep the public BLIND as to which chemicals are being USED TO DESTROY US is UNACCEPTABLE, at best.

Thank you for allowing me to speak against this dangerous boondoggle.