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At a time when oil companies are making windfall profits, the proposal to give this polluting industry 118 million new emission allowances makes no sense. Their profits could more than pay for the clean energy investments this proposal hopes that the companies will make good on.

Instead, this unneeded expansion of emission allowances will set back investments funded by California's cap-and-invest program that are the backbone of our climate action plan. Essential components like public transit, clean mobility and transit-oriented development are the structural solutions we must keep on track with this funding.

The climate crisis is as real as a wildfire in your back yard. It demands a substantial and reliable commitment for any hope of leaving our children a livable future.

I strongly urge you to scrap the plans for the MDI proposal now.