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The poorly thought out plan of cap and trade, or extortion is a better word does more harm to the global environment. The crude oil we import is manufactured by refineries and oil patches in foreign nations that produce more pollution than California oil patches and refineries. It's then shipped via tanker ships that burn essentially crude oil on foreign ships that produce more pollution. All the while creating a higher chance of an oil spill at sea. California can feel good about our air being cleaner, nought, but at the expense of increasing global pollution. It removes jobs in refineries, oil patches, food industries, OEM manufacturing and small businesses from California, decreases our self reliance, benefits foreign nations and strains the finances of California's at the gas pump. Submitting this to your organization is a folly as the corruption in CARB is legendary, and laughed at by all other states and all of the public comments will be simply thrown out and ignored as it has been done in the past. CARB and the California Coastal Commission should be combined to form a single corrupt entity to save some money to the taxpayers.