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Dear EFSEC Council members:

I have many concerns about the SE2 SEIS. The first is about noise mitigation or lack of in the document. SE2 has not done any modelling concerning low frequency noise and thus cannot predict its effects. It is well documented that low frequency noise is not only annoying but has harmful and stressful effects on the body. This proposal is a bit of a pig in a poke, suggesting that modifications could be made after a year of operation if this low frequency noise is a problem. However, there is no guarantee that modification after construction would be effective. This is unacceptable. My second concern is the seismic factor. The SEIS makes light of the now known seismic faults in the area and predicts this will not be a problem. But the modelling and testing regarding this issue is inadequate and the SEIS points out that in the event that a seismic fault is found to lie under the plant site and to have ruptured in the last 10,000 years it is questionable whether it would be feasible to economically construct the plant to provide adequate protection from the hazard of surface rupture. It would be unwise to build a plant of this magnitude with this as an unknown factor. Also of concern is the greenhouse gases. Forgive me for not understanding how payment of monies to the Oregon Trust will do anything for our local environment. We'll still be the ones sucking on the tailpipe. Also the new stack height of 180 will only ensure the the full effects of the pollution will be felt on our side of the border. This is also not acceptable in our airshed.

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Sincerely yours
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