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The management and workers at the Whatcom County BP and Phillips refineries (based upon the comments at the County Planning Commission on September 12, and at previous County Council meetings) believe their industry is not polluting the planet.

They have no sympathy for the fisher folk who lost their livelihood because of ocean acidification.

They claim they have the "cleanest" refineries in the nation which may be true; but, they are still polluting. They also claim that if they are shut down refineries overseas will pollute more (with no proof).

They claim the proposed Cherry Point amendments will jeopardize their safety (with no proof).

They claim they have had no serious safety mishaps in recent history and their safety record is outstanding. While this may be true directly for them (e.g. explosions and spills), is this true for the areas from which they receive the crude they process and the air, land and sea pollution others are subject to?

They feel entitled to "family wage" jobs even though the industry is destroying the planet (see below) and this is only one example.

It is obvious they don't give a damn about anyone other than themselves.

<https://www.commondreams.org/news/2019/09/14/german-study-alarming-levels-dangerous-plastics-childrens-bodies>

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