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Hi, [REDACTED] n m [REDACTED] K [REDACTED] and I live with my sweet wife at [REDACTED] [REDACTED] X [REDACTED] 03 which is just downriver from the [REDACTED] J h [REDACTED] dge on the St Johns side of the river. So I am just across the river from the "cold box".

The whole energy hub is a threat to our house and our community especially in the event of the big earthquake that is expected at any time. We imagine that the soil under the tanks will liquify, the tanks will rupture and their contents will flow into the river and catch on fire igniting our whole neighborhood.

We know that the cold box is vulnerable to the earthquake. But at this point in time there is more information needed to make a good decision on what to do about it.

1) A seismic study is due next year that would inform engineers about the feasibility of rebuilding the thing in that location at all. And if it is possible, how the design would look.

2) Given that our city, our region and the whole world is making the necessary rapid transition off of fossil fuels, wouldn't it be prudent to assess how necessary it will be to build what may well be a stranded asset? Heat pumps are already out-selling gas furnaces. And significant subsidies for installing heat pumps are about to become available, which will reduce demand for gas. We just don't know by how much.

Another factor on a personal level is the cost. Our gas bill has gone up a lot already. So please wait to make a decision on this.

Thank you for this opportunity.