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Enbridge Inc.?s Gateway proposal to build two 1,170-kilometre pipelines from the Alberta tar sands to a new supertanker port at Kitimat, B.C., runs counter to building a clean energy economy and should not proceed.

The pipeline itself poses serious environmental risk, not least due to it crossing over 1,000 streams and rivers, many in the watersheds of two of BC?s most important wild salmon runs.

However, this proposal is about more than the two pipelines. The pipelines would play a significant role in tar sands expansion by carrying 525,000 barrels of dirty oil a day to Asian and US markets. Tar Sands oil production is Canada?s fastest growing source of greenhouse gas emissions.

Making this project a reality would also mean an end to a long-standing moratorium on tanker traffic in BC?s north coast. We should not risk having oil supertankers in our fragile coastal waters.

The environmental assessment of the Gateway proposal must examine the impacts of project on Canada?s contribution to global warming through the expansion of the tar sands, oil spills from tankers on our fragile coast, and the construction of a long, risky pipeline across mountainous terrain. In my view, the risks to building the Enbridge pipeline are too great.

Sincerely,
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