- The transport of propane is safe only if the tank cars stay on the tracks, but <u>the railroads average 2</u> derailments per million miles. And half of the derailments occur outside of the rail yards.
- The proposed standards for the new oil tank cars requires tank thickness of 9/16 inch <u>with sidewall</u> <u>puncture resistance up to 12 mph.</u> Before any propane is shipped through cities, we need to be assured that the tank cars have puncture resistance up to 40 mph.
- Rail inspection equipment fails
- Tracks fail
- Propane tank cars rupture and explode.

Please consider these issues. We need to transition to clean energy, not build on old ideas. We want to have our children to live on this planet. We already have too much carbon in our atmosphere and it is already affecting our weather.

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