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Decrease the risk of allowable cancer from 1 in 100,000 to 1 in 1 million.

The proposed rule actually increases your risk of cancer by increasing the cancer risk rate. We expect our government to help safeguard our health, not endanger it. We would like Washington to adopt the same standards as Oregon, with an appropriate fish consumption rate of 175 grams/ day and a cancer risk at 1 in 1 million.

Disallow the expansion of variances.

A variance can change the use and water quality standard for a segment of or an entire water body, allowing the water to be polluted for years, even decades. The new rule expands how industries can get variances, increasing the likelihood of long delays in reducing water pollution.

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