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I want to thank the committee for their systematic analysis of these components as presented here.

However, as I read over the DEIR, it seems that somehow in the breaking down the potential concerns into component parts that the overall impact of the plan on this very special region has been missed. Each of these various concerns from traffic to water quality to pollution to land-use... They all add up, even mitigated, and this larger additional impact does not appear to be addressed in this DEIR.

It's a case of where the whole is greater than the sum of the parts. There are plenty of places in the world already industrial where one more industry does not make a significant difference on the overall area or city. That is most certainly not the case here. Mt. Shasta is renowned throughout the world for its spectacular and unique beauty, pristine environment and special spiritual qualities that draw people from all around the world. It is this we ought to be emphasizing and capitalizing on, in ways that preserves this incalculable asset. If Crystal Geysler's industry as usual would come to Mount Shasta it is likely that many potential visitors will feel Mt. Shasta is degraded and they will seek elsewhere to spend their travel dollars. It would be the world's loss.

And think of the word mitigation: mit·i·ga·tion 1. the action of reducing the severity, seriousness, or painfulness of something. Where does the DEIR talk about eliminating the problem, not just lessening it? Only in the No Project Option.

There is an amazing opportunity here for the leaders of Crystal Geysler and the community to step outside of the normal way things are done and look together for better solutions for that land and facility. Many viable ideas could certainly be found that would not destroy the primary assets of our community in the process of bringing a profitable business to that land. It would be a landmark and inspiring development to inspire the world.

Very sincerely,

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