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Global warming = no refinery

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My previous letter of support for the second Irving Oil Refinery in Saint John was written in ignorance of the imminent threat of global warming and New Brunswick's excessive production of greenhouse gases.

On a per capita basis, New Brunswick produces approximately twice the amount of greenhouse gases of most other Canadian provinces. The earth's 10 warmest years have occurred since 1990, which scientists believe to be a result of the effect of human production of greenhouse gases.

The oil and gas industry contributes to a very large extent to the devastating changes that are taking place on a global level. As responsible corporate citizens, Irving Oil should re-examine their contribution to climate change and invest in alternative energy sources.

The world is calling for massive reductions in greenhouse gases, yet in New Brunswick, the possibility of a second oil refinery substantially increasing the production of greenhouse gases, is seen as good news from the perspective of the Irving-owned media.

Given the focus that global warming is having in the Parliament of Canada, how is it even possible that approval will be given for the first North American refinery in decades?