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Yes, a robust process must be implemented.

Not only that, but to be credible, the Panel **MUST** act as the Public trustee, representing the Public interests, not slanted to corporations and lobbyists.

In addition, in any consideration of environmental reviews the reviews **MUST** be guided by Canada's clear objectives, as defined in Paris, namely 1.5deg C maximum temperature rise.

Time to provide **LEADERSHIP**, with clear goals and consistent messages that Canada means what it said in Paris.

Recognizing the complications of any proposed review and subsequent regulatory process, history shows how self-regulation by Industry **DOES NOT WORK**.

There are now too many recent cases of severe deviations from accepted environmental norms which have **NOT** been detected by Industry (pipeline leaks, mine failures, inadequate clean-up funds, clear breaches of regulations) all without adequate oversight by agencies supposedly monitoring these industries.

Each of these cases demonstrate many omissions in the duty of Agencies to actively monitor Industry and not exercising the power to change behaviours, using severe penalties for breaches and non-compliance. Why does this dysfunctional system exist?

In addition, the penalties, if any, for these breaches are non-existent, or inadequate to reflect the damages caused and the costs of clean-up.

It is unfortunately apparent that since the close links between Industry and Government agencies create a non-arms length relationship, often affected by lobbying and or by political contributions, is it any wonder that Public trust in these Agencies has been eroded, as well as a tendency to leniency toward Industrial carelessness or malfeasance.

So, time to clean it up and restore the trust, to put in place effective policies and oversights that are not only effective, but are **SEEN** to be effective.

Many thousands of people are watching.

Thank you for the opportunity.