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Hello Pat/Lynette,

Thank you for sending me the link. I remain truly impressed with the Energy Commission's leadership on energy efficiency, renewable energy and energy conservation, however while there are some definite improvements on the oil depletion topic the report now suffers from two inconsistencies that are important enough that I thought you'd want to address them:

1. Please note the first sentence of the last paragraph of page 6 "Energy Commission staff believes there is sufficient existing spare import capability to meet the estimate for crude oil imports and satisfy the state's need for conventional transportation fuels." (This does not match what is stated on page 146 "While petroleum will be available far into the future and markets will fluctuate, higher prices may be a permanent feature of future fuel markets and offer greater incentives for increased use of alternative and renewable fuels. Some stakeholders and analysts have gone further and [Pat please add-provided evidence from several reputable sources] that world-wide crude oil production has peaked, or will shortly, and that the petroleum dependent global economy is at high risk for substantial disruption.

2. On page 151 under Energy Security it states "The Energy Commission last held a workshop on the peak oil debate in 2003, indicating that it may be desirable to raise the topic in a future iteration of the Energy Commission's forecast of transportation fuel supply and demand." [Since you've now done this I believe that you could simply strike this sentence].

Regards, Gary