Michel Foucault and Paul Virilio simultaneously developed the concept of the ‘suicidal state’ in the 1970s. In *A Thousand Plateaus*, Gilles Deleuze and Felix Guattari affirmed Virilio’s definition of the suicidal state: ‘In fascism,’ they wrote, ‘the State is far less totalitarian than it is suicidal.’ For Foucault and Virilio, the exemplars of the suicidal state were Nazi Germany and Cambodia under Pol Pot. In this talk, I will examine recent scholarship on Deleuzoguattarian suicidalism from Eugene Holland and Nicholas Michelsen, and then consider the distributed agency of the suicidal state under the petromodern state form.