

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

Docket No. LC 68

In the Matter of  
IDAHO POWER COMPANY

2017 Intergrated Resource Plan

PETITION TO INTERVENE

The STOP B2H Coalition petitions to intervene in this proceeding. In support of this petition, the following is provided:

1. The contact information (name, address, email address) of the petitioner is:

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Please include this contact on the service list.

2a. The petitioner  will  will not be represented by counsel in this proceeding. The contact information for petitioner's counsel to be included on the service list is:

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2b. Additional contacts to be included on the service list (a petitioner is limited to three contacts on the service list):

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3. If the petitioner is an organization, the number of members in and the purposes of the organization:

STOP Boardman to Hemingway (B2H) Coalition

WHO: The "Stop B2H Coalition" is a growing alliance of citizen organizations and citizens that are opposed to the 305 mile Boardman to Hemingway 500kv Transmission line.

MISSION: We are working to stop the approval and construction of an unneeded 305 mile transmission line through Eastern Oregon and Western Idaho, thereby: protecting environmental, historical and cultural resources; preventing degradation of agricultural and land assets; promoting energy conservation; and supporting the rapid development of new technologies in energy generation, storage and distribution throughout the western region and the USA.

The Coalition is working to:

- 1) Challenge Idaho Power's Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) conclusion that there is "a need" for additional energy supply in 2025 that can only be met by the construction of this transmission line.
- 2) Prevent negative environmental, cultural, health-safety, social and economic impacts to our region. This includes minimizing road construction and noise, protecting wildlife, timber, ranching and farming resources, as well as, scenic, historical and recreational viewsheds which will be impacted by the construction and maintenance of the towers and lines.
- 3) Promote rapid deployment of new technologies making the need for highly centralized distribution of power, (as well as, coal), obsolete.

List of Members attached

4. The nature and extent of the Petitioner's interest in the proceeding is:

The STOP B2H Coalition has a substantial interest in this proceeding because decisions of the commission on the 2017 IRP could impact the quality of life in the Eastern Oregon counties negatively influenced by this transmission infrastructure.

5. The issues the Petitioner intends to raise at the proceeding are:

We do not believe Idaho Power has adequately demonstrated the need for the B2H transmission line. Given the transformation of the energy utility market we believe Idaho Power has not carefully studied nor properly estimated the cost of this transmission line, been transparent about costs to re-conductor the 3 existing 230 kv lines to 345 kv to meet need, and are not demonstrating best practices in

the industry by not examining storage and its ancillary services in the 2017 IRP. In addition we believe some of the data that Idaho Power is using is to support the B2H portfolios is inflated to support their case for the B2H and we intend to challenge some of these data points.

6. The special knowledge or expertise of the Petitioner that would assist the Commission in resolving the issues in the proceeding is:

Five members have attended all of Idaho Powers IRP planning sessions for the 2017 IRP, have attended energy conferences, and formed relationships with energy associations and industrial energy users to educate ourselves. Other coalition members have interfaced with the BPA, WECC, as well as othr industry associations, have actively participated in and commented on the BLM - EIS process and are participating in Idaho Powers Amended Preliminary Application for Site Certificate with EFSC. We have also engaged some of the counties and cities along the proposed route(s) to stimulate the public process.

7. Based on the information provided above in accordance with the Commission's rules of procedure, I request to participate in this proceeding as an intervenor. I or the organization that I represent will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or unreasonably delay the proceeding. OAR 860-001-0300.

Jim Kreider  
Petitioner or Petitioner's Representative

7/20/2017  
Date Signed

**STOP B2H Coalition Membership:**  
Organizational members as of 10/2016

Friends of the Grande Ronde Valley (FRGV)  
Hell Canyon Preservation Council (HCPC)  
Oregon-California Trails Association (OCTA)  
Oregon Rural Action (ORA)  
Blue Mtn Chapter, Oregon Rural Action  
Range Ecology Group  
Conservation Geography  
Wildlands Defense

In addition there are currently 159 members on our electronic mailing list.