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> My name is Sam Myers I am intervener in Docket 5, for OPUC proceedings dealing with Idaho Power's B2H project. On this last day of the public comment period, I wish to express my concerns about the inadequacies surrounding these proceedings. IPC has many required studies that are not completed, and apparently will not be available for public review in this case. IPC has failed to show that all fire risks are mitigated, and in my case, I have growing crops at risk and currently these risks are of no concern to Idaho Power. The risks I face are very real and worth thousands of dollars if they are lost in a fire. These fires I refer to can be caused by B2H. Other critical studies have been rejected, and even other studies have been criticized for not meeting certain criteria standards, this particular assessment was preformed by an outside independent company. In the Fire Mitigation Workshop, held earlier this spring, a IPC's spokesman revealed that Idaho power is currently out of compliance with respect to vegetation control in their own service area. I believe that this shortfall and the accompanying excuses from IPC's on this matter is symbolic of what will happen if they are certified to construct and operate B2H. IPC will continue to demonstrate failures in executing required statutes and requirements placed upon them.
> IPC does not possess the necessary, professional and technical capabilities to perform the in-depth detailed tasks involved in constructing an operating a 500 KV transmission line. In the cross examination hearing held earlier this spring, IPC staff and witnesses were unable to answer entirely and with correct detail, or recall necessary details surrounding a number of critical issues. Meanwhile, the legal arm of IPC's seems to be the main impetus in the process to build and operate B2H. The legal arm of IPC has sought to remove critical information from the record, dismiss critical testimony from the record, and expedite the time span of these proceedings, undermining the integrity and transparency that should have been involved in this case. At this point, the OPUC seems to have displayed a higher degree of advocacy towards the utility company instead of the general public or electricity consumers. The OPUC has done questionable activities which could demonstrate a deviation from its mission statement. We will discover in time wether OPUC is a true advocate for the general public. Without a doubt this B2H project has been a convoluted project from the beginning, my question is; weather the governing body in Oregon will force IPC to get things correct on every level before the project begins. Infrastructure of this magnitude should not devastate ; livelihoods or the

environment. Currently as things stand in my opinion, it could devastate both.

Sam Myers, Terri Myers.
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