

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

Docket No. LC 84

In the Matter of

IDAHO POWER COMPANY,

2023 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP)

STOP B2H Coalition
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:

Name:
Company:
Street Address:
City, State, Zip:
Email Address:
Telephone:

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

Name:
Company:
Street Address:
City, State, Zip:
Email Address:
Telephone:

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

STOP B2H Coalition

WHO: The “Stop B2H Coalition” is an alliance of organizations and public officials that are opposed to the 305 mile Boardman to Hemingway 500kv Transmission line. We have 7 organizational members and 900 individual members on our mailing list

MISSION: Our goal is to change or halt the building of a 305-mile transmission line across Eastern Oregon and Western Idaho that is not necessary. By doing this, we will: safeguard the environment, history, and culture of the area; preserve the quality and value of the land and farms; encourage saving energy; and foster the fast growth of new energy technologies in production, storage, and delivery for the western region and the whole country, using the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA).

List of Members attached

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

This 2023 IRP again contains different data and outcomes than stated in the 2021 IRP and more so than in the 2019 IRP. STOP wishes to examine the methodology improvements, budget modeling, Bridger and Valmy coal to gas modifications, Gatewest and the treasure valley transmission build outs, transmission constants and acquisitions to remedy this, and non-B2H alternatives in this docket.

The 2023 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) has different data and results from the 2021 and 2019 IRPs. STOP wants to review the Methodology Improvements, budget and cost modeling detail, coal-to-gas changes at Bridger and Valmy, transmission expansions at Gateway West and the Treasure Valley, transmission fixes, and other options besides Boardman to Hemingway (B2H) in this docket.

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

The Coalition plans to raise issues that are germane to the 2023 IRP.

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

The STOP B2H coalition has participated in Idaho Power’s 2017, 2019, 2021 IRP’s as intervenors in both the Idaho and Oregon dockets. STOP was also an intervener in ODOE’s site certificate for the B2H and continue to participate in that proceeding.

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

/s/ Jim Kreider
Petitioner or Petitioner’s Representative

12/15/23
Date Signed

STOP B2H Coalition Membership:

Organizational members as of 1/2022

Greater Hells Canyon Council (GHCC)
Oregon-California Trails Association (OCTA)
Oregon Rural Action (ORA)
Blue Mtn Chapter, Oregon Rural Action
Range Ecology Group
Wildlands Defense
Blue Mountain Alliance

In addition, there are currently 900 individual members on our electronic mailing list.