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To Whom it May Concern:

Once again, I must strongly protest any consideration of Idaho Power's blatant land-grab attempt with the not-yet-approved B2H 500 Kv transmission line project!

In addition to being a greedy, bullying, Draconian ploy, it is ridiculously premature! This is still a Contested Case, scheduled to run through at least June of this year!

Invoking Eminent Domain is intended to be invoked ONLY as a LAST RESORT, ONLY after all other legal proceedings and appeals have been concluded, and ONLY after Final Certification!

Furthermore, Eminent Domain should ONLY be employed after all other negotiations and mediations have failed to produce a MUTUALLY SATISFACTORY agreement!

Since the earliest days of the application process, Idaho Power representatives have repeatedly voiced a smug, self-assured eagerness to employ Eminent Domain, waving it about as though it's

some sort of guaranteed birthright!

I strongly urge OPUC decision makers to deny Idaho Power's thuggish and atrociously premature application for a Certificate of Public Necessity. The "need" has yet to be demonstrated; the Threat

is just another example of Idaho Power's disregard for legal process, or the people of Oregon.

Once again, to paraphrase Barbara Bush, Just Say NO!

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