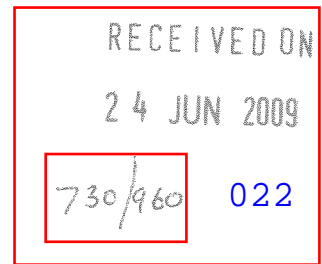


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Submission to the Board of Inquiry 400kva capable transmission line

It is with great trepidation that Ross and I learned of the intention of the Board of Inquiry to allow Transpower to build the 400kVa line across the Waikato. This line, will in no doubt, be a precursor to Transpower's intention to build further lines as their backbone to the grid. We feel this is a disaster for this beautiful country.

There is no level of compensation to individual affected parties that can pay the debt to society for all the communities involved in these projects.

The detrimental visual, environmental, social and financial impacts exceed any benefit when there are other better and less expensive options available.

In these tough economic times we should be looking to sustainable options in to the future that will deliver security of supply and indeed increase in generation such as the Rodney plant.

This project is biased in favour of Transpower's objective to make larger profits.

Once this line is started the apathy that has dogged some communities, (eg.Aucklanders, Hamiltonians),will rise to disgust at this unnecessary blight on this beautiful country.

It is our view that we should not be giving our future generation this ugly white elephant for their inheritance.

With respect, we believe that the wrong decision has been made.

Lorraine Bilby
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