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Grid Upgrade Draft Decision Comments
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Dear Sir,

I support the undergrounding of transmission cables on public or crown land only, because public utilities belong on public roads as was the Waikato Pipeline.

I oppose any transmission lines or cables crossing private land because this violates the land owners/occupiers rites to the unfettered use and enjoyment of thier land.

I oppose the location of the Manukau/Franklin sections because both the Manukau and Franklin sections should be located along the Watercare catchment of the Hunua Ranges, thereby avoiding any privately owned land.

Transpower should compensate all property land owners for any loss of capital value due to the Grid Upgrade — whether it crosses that property or not.

All directly affected land—i.e. under transmission lines — should be leased in perpetuaty and reviewed 5 yearly.

Yours sincerely,

R. H. Lever
Ronald Lever - Farmer