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From: S and MJ Forbes-Brown [samsgroup@slingshot.co.nz]
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To: TPCallin
Subject: Sumitter Ref:1251 Upper North Island Grid Upgrade Proposal.

I had earlier advised of attending in person however I am away on Business until the 27th March 2007. Please keep me updated.

EVIDENCE WISHING TO BE SUBMITTED

For the record I believe all the cables should be safely buried in a large concrete conduit-ie for access and maintenance of current and future additional cables. This I believe is the best long term option overall and of least environmental impact.

The current proposal is discusting with extremely large pylons which I believe is both dangerous and an extreme eye sore and a waste of New Zealand land and air space. There is also numerous cases of workers getting killed by strikes or adjacent arcing to their machinery close-by. During the rain they also make a large noise. I would expect additional risk for all aircraft ie gliders, helicopters and planes.

I also live within 300m of existing Overhead cables and pylons and oppose any larger pylons or additional cables. This would certainly devalue our property along with the other issues mentioned above.

Regards

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