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Submission to Transpower's "rights" to cross farmers' land!

I am extremely concerned as to the VERY adverse effect that the power/magnetic field which will be create by these lines, will have on animals' and people's health. If it is VERY inadvisable to drive a computerized vehicle (and that includes most modern cars etc) under these lines for fear of probable damage to the computers in wet weather, surely this shows the damage, and EXTREME likelihood of this affecting peoples' health---the health risk is too great. Some of this will VERY adversely affect our children's health and the elderly, both groups of whom are very much at risk, as well as the health of all our other New Zealanders. Surely our children's health is EXTREMELY important to New Zealand, as our future generation. Overseas research cannot easily be pushed aside. The damage to health will also be through food, which will be grown and harvested under these powerful lines. All of this probable damage applies to human, animal and bird life for which New Zealand is world renown.

I am also very fearful for New Zealand's clean green image when our tourists are confronted with the sight of these beauty-destroying monstrosities.

I also question the right of the New Zealand Government forcing farmers to allow access to Transpower to cross/commandeer privately owned land, some of which has been in families for several generations, and which is the heritage of their children. No compensation would cover this dreadful loss but to date even this has not been offered to affected farming families. This loss of

farmland has made a number of farms uneconomical as a source of income for the farmer who has lost his land in such a cruel and high-handed way.

I feel sure that the Government could/should be researching better ways to supply electricity to various parts of our beautiful country. To think that these dreadful monstrosities are the only way to solve this problem, which does affect most New Zealanders in many ways, is quiet astounding. With all the resources and expertise available, in our world, to our Government Departments and the adverse research to date, I am appalled that this is their only solution. Surely the health of our citizens is more important than the expected cost of a viable alternative.

HOW MANY TRANSPOWER EXECUTIVES AND/OR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS WOULD RISK LIVING UNDER ONE OF THESE MONSTROSITIES I WONDER?

Yours faithfully, in the hope of my submission being considered favourably,

I DO NOT wish to be heard and hereby make my submission in writing.

My submission covers ALL OVERHEAD POWERLINES in New Zealand, in connection with the North Island Grid upgrade Project.



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