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Yes: I/we wish to be heard in support of my/our submission at the public hearing, and expect I will need between one and two hours to present my evidence. I would like the location of the portion of the hearing which will receive my evidence to be held in a local venue near to where I live.  
submitter: Craig Barrow  
A: copy of this submission has been emailed to Transpower.  
Scope: This submission covers all notices of requirements and applications for resource consents relating Transpower's applications that will be heard by this Board of Inquiry. The references are NORs 27619, L07089, DES0011/07, RMR200621, DN/0006/07, 240/021, RM070209, and resource consents 34102, 34370, 34372, 34373, 34711, 34712, 116902, 116903, 116904, 116905, and any other NORs or resource consent applications that may subsequently be filed or altered. We oppose all of these NORs and applications for resource consent.  
Re: This submission relates to the notices of requirement and/or applications for resource consent, lodged by Transpower New Zealand Ltd for the North Island Grid Upgrade Project, and identified above.  
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Reasons:

I am completely opposed to Transpower's intention to build this line.

Better equal benefit alternatives to this proposed line are available that have a much reduced environmental impact, such as more generation in the Auckland region, duplexing and reconductoring of the Whakamaru A, B and C lines, use of HVDC transmission technology which will be less obtrusive and easier to underground, more extensive use of undergrounding of HVAC lines, and consideration of new conventional small scale 220kV transmission lines.

I oppose this line being built on a 65 metre wide easement, when a 600 metre wide easement, free of houses, workplaces and schools, should be required as a precautionary principle to reduce future health risks and environmental impacts.

I oppose these applications because Transpower has not included the cost of

environmental impacts. The Special Character Landscape zone around Mt Maungatautari for example. Countless community volunteer hours have gone into this project to create an excellent ecological restoration project. The surrounding area has been put under this special landscape zone to enhance the project, yet Transpower is totally ignoring this.

My two daughters attend Horahora school. I am very concerned with how close Transpower intends to put their line to this (and other Schools) with seemingly no consideration for the health and wellbeing of the children there.

Therefore:

I seek the following decision from the Board of Inquiry. That the application for Notices of Requirement and Resource Consents should be turned down completely, and Transpower directed to investigate generation, conservation and transmission alternatives that will avoid this line being built under any circumstances.