

SUBMISSION ON TRANSPOWER'S NOTICES OF REQUIREMENT AND APPLICATIONS FOR RESOURCE CONSENTS

Section 145 of the Resource Management Act 1991

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Please note: you must forward a copy of this submission to BOTH Ministry for the Environment AND Transpower, by any means you wish (post, fax, email).

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 below.

CLOSING DATE FOR SUBMISSIONS: 5 OCTOBER 2007

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The reasons for my submission are:

I am completely opposed to Transpower's intention to build this un-needed line, as the demand growth projections of the Electricity Commission (2007 SOO) do not justify its construction. The scale and capacity of this proposed 400kV capable line is completely out of alignment with the expected requirements for transmission capacity into Auckland to meet demand growth in the next 40 years. The potential new generation capacity likely to be constructed in the Auckland region in the next 40 years has been grossly underestimated in an attempt to justify this line as one of national significance and urgency.

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 re-conductoring 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 and workplaces, should be required as a precautionary principle to reduce future health risks and environmental impacts.

I oppose large scale HVAC transmission lines being built on narrow 65 metre wide easements because of the EMF emissions and ionized particle emissions that will come from this line, which have been proven to cause numerous diseases, including childhood leukaemia.

I oppose these applications because Transpower has falsely (and perhaps criminally) tried to justify the need for this line being built by using out of date and inaccurately high demand growth forecasts (2005 SOO), have not included the cost of environmental impacts in their justifications, and are providing misleading and inaccurate costings of the real alternative options to this line that should be considered.

Why should clean green waitako south have to sacrifice what we have for Auckland. What do we get out of it? It was a laugh when Auckland complained they had no power for two days when the south island had none for over a week. They are really ungrateful. Perhaps it should be put on the other foot. To see what it is like

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Environment

I/we seek the following decision from the Board of Inquiry (provide precise details including the nature of any conditions sought):

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

I explicitly do not want the Board of Inquiry to approve the applications subject to conditions - I want the applications turned down in whole.

- Why not build wind mills in Auckland hills like they have done in Patmerston North
- What about using the sub station in Auckland its not being used
- Why not follow the steps in what they have done overseas.
- Pylons are ugly to look at, & are dangerous to our health & our kids

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. ✓

I/we make my/our submission concerning 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 27819, 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. ✓

I/we have served a copy of my/our submission on the applicant by copy to Transpower as above. ✓

Signature(s):

Bob Bell

Date: 26/09/07

(Signature is not required for electronic (email) submissions.
If this is a joint submission by two or more individuals, each individual's name is required.)

- = How are we the Farmer supposed to Petrise our hills for grass growth?
it will be dangerous for any pilot in a plane or helicopter.
- = Why not put a nuclear power plant out at Glen Brooke like they have done in France (look how green there country is, sell the waste (look into it more))
- = I would like to know has the minister of environment or the transpower CEO been to have look at the countryside to actually see how ugly & environmentally unfriendly they are going to look or has he just drawn a line on a piece of paper & made the decision & not considered the impact its going to have on us the Farmer. Open your eyes.
- = There would be a lot of power saved if they (Aucklanders) turned off these lights. Its like a xmas tree all year round.
- = What about the health & well being of our children. Are you going to be responsible if they get sick.



Ministry for the
Environment
Te Kaitiaki Take Kōwhiri

In my opinion there needs to be alot more research done before a decision can be made Can you learn from other people/countries mistakes.