

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

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CLOSING DATE FOR SUBMISSIONS: 5 OCTOBER 2007

Mr Mrs Miss Ms (Please circle the appropriate title(s) or print clearly below)

My/Our Full Name(s): FIONA JOY SWAN & HENRY JOHN SWAN

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PLEASE ATTACH THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION TO YOUR SUBMISSION:
1. A copy of the Notice of Requirement and Applications for Resource Consents.
2. A copy of the Resource Consent application form.
3. A copy of the Resource Consent application fee.
4. A copy of the Resource Consent application conditions.
5. A copy of the Resource Consent application supporting information.
6. A copy of the Resource Consent application supporting information.
7. A copy of the Resource Consent application supporting information.
8. A copy of the Resource Consent application supporting information.

Reasons for my/our submission are: _____ If you are attaching further information tick

See attached.

Please use more pages if necessary.

Seek the following decision from the Board of Inquiry (provide precise details including the nature of any conditions sought):

opposition to any pylons, and alternatives sought

Please indicate the following:

Use a clear tick in the appropriate box:

I wish to be heard in support of my/our submission (to speak at the public hearing).
I do not wish to be heard and hereby make my/our submission in writing only.

Signature: Fiona Joy Swan Henry John Swan

Date: 4/10/07

For more information, please contact the Ministry of the Environment. Note: signature is not required for electronic (online) submissions.

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Submit to BOTH:

Minister for the Environment
 Freepost Grid Upgrade Submissions
 PO Box 4405
 Hamilton East
 HAMILTON 3247
 Email: tpcallin@mfe.govt.nz
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And Transpower
 Freepost 182915
 PO Box 1021
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 Email: submissions@transpower.co.nz
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Please note: you must forward a copy of this submission to BOTH Ministry for the Environment AND Transpower, by the method 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.

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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 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 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 on the basis of 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.

Please complete other side of form



Supplement to the application by Henry and Fiona Swan for opposition to
Transpower proposed pylons:

We are writing to advise my opposition to the proposed Transpower pylons for the following reasons:

1. Business

We are contract dairy farming near the proposed pylon path and believe that the land impacts would affect our ability to sustain and improve our current farms milk production and cattle.

2. Health

Our two young children have Alpha 1 Antitrypsin deficiency, which is a liver and lung condition which requires them to undergo regular ultrasounds and they have already been exposed to HIDA scans, which is the introduction of radioactive fluid into the liver, in the investigation process. In addition to this they are susceptible to asthma and eczema, which we would obviously prefer to avoid anything which may aggravate or add symptoms to any of these conditions.

Regards,

Henry and Fiona Swan
4th October 2007

Attn:

Grid upgrade

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