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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: Geraldine Michelle Webby
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:

There are alternatives to this proposed line that 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 damage to peoples health.

I oppose these applications because Transpower has falsely tried to justify the need for this line being built by using out of date and inaccurately high demand growth forecasts (2005 SOO), have not included the cost of environmental impacts in their justifications, and are providing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.

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.

I explicitly do not want the Board of Inquiry to approve the applications subject to conditions - I want the applications rejected.