## Docket No. U-170970 - Vol. III

# In the Matter of Hydro One Limited and Avista Corporation

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	HYDRO ONE LIMITED (acting through its ) Docket U-170970 indirect subsidiary, Olympus Equity LLC) )	<ul> <li>4 just like a court case. The three of us are judges, and in</li> <li>5 the proceedings before us, there are several parties.</li> </ul>
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	and )	<ul> <li>Avista is a party. The Attorney General's Office is the</li> <li>consumer advocate, and they are a party. Environmental</li> </ul>
	AVISTA CORPORATION )	8 groups. Labor organizations. Large industrial customers of
	For an Order Authorizing Proposed )	<ul> <li>9 both natural gas and electric service. So we have quite a</li> </ul>
	Transaction. )	10 group in most of our proceedings.
	, 	11 But we also like to get out into the communities and hear
	PUBLIC COMMENT HEARING - VOL. III April 24, 2018	12 from the actual customers of the utilities, and get their
	Colville Public Library	13 views on these proceedings that we have. And that's why
		14 we're here today in Colville, and thank you very much for
		15 coming out on a sunny afternoon to sit in the basement and
		16 listen to me talk. I appreciate it.
		17 So without further ado, we have several people signed up
		18 to give us their views on the proceeding that's before us,
		19 the proposed merger. And so without further ado, what I'm
	Transcribed By: Shelby Kay K. Fukushima, CCR 2028 Buell Realtime Reporting, LLC	20 going to do is just start at the top of the sign-in list.
	1325 Fourth Avenue	21 If you want to speak and you haven't signed in, please move
	Suite 1840 Seattle, Washington 98101	to Mr. Roberts there. Raise your hand. He has the sign-in
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1	CHAIRMAN DANNER: Well	1	MS. PANCOAST: All right. The first thing I want to say
2	MS. PANCOAST: I'm just kidding.	2	is that Avista is a public utility, and it's a monopoly.
3	CHAIRMAN DANNER: that's why we're here.	3	There's no place else I can go to get my electricity.
4	All right. So, Mr. Youngblood, why don't you start.	4	MALE SPEAKER: Right.
5	MR. YOUNGBLOOD: Okay. Is it okay if I read a letter	5	MS. PANCOAST: The second problem I have is I have no
6	from former Prosecutor Brockett from Spokane? Can I read a	6	vote in Canada. I have no power if a Canadian company
7	letter from him?	7	decides to do something I don't like, and it sets a horrible
8	CHAIRMAN DANNER: You may do that. I would ask that any	8	precedent.
9	remarks you make, please, because we have a lot of people	9	What's to keep China from buying out Hydro One? How am I
10	here, just I ask you not to take too much time.	10	going to stop that if they decide to do it that way? It is
11	MR. YOUNGBLOOD: Okay.	11	simply wrong to have a public utility monopoly owned outside
12	CHAIRMAN DANNER: So we're not going to call time on you	12	this country, and I think you should vote against it. I'm
13	unless you really take a long time, but	13	against it. I, myself, don't care. I'm not going to live
14	MR. YOUNGBLOOD: Okay. Thank you for	14	long enough for the rates to go up, but my children and
15	CHAIRMAN DANNER: (inaudible).	15	grandchildren, they're kicking the can down the road.
16	MR. YOUNGBLOOD: Thank you for taking our questions, our	16	And the other thing is why are we having this in the
17	comments, and I'll just give you my own comments here.	17	afternoon when the poor stiffs who work for a living can't
18	I understand that Hydro One is 49 percent Ontario owned,	18	be here?
19	and the other 51 percent, we don't have any idea who owns	19	MULTIPLE SPEAKERS: Yep; yeah.
20	the other 51 percent of Hydro One.	20	MS. PANCOAST: Thank you. I'm done.
21	And also Canada is a socialist country, and why was it	21	CHAIRMAN DANNER: Thank you. Thank you very much.
22	announced on media outlets and letters sent out to employees	22	All right. Guy Burnell and Mike Brown.
23	and et cetera like it was already a done deal? I heard that	23	All right. Go ahead, sir.
24	there were letters sent out to the employees of Avista that	24	MR. BURNELL: All right. My comments are fairly
25	this was pretty much going to happen.	25	scattered, actually, but they're mostly bullet points I
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1	And like I said, Canada is a socialist country, and why	1	would like to make. And I'll start off by saying that I'm
2	in the world would we ever allow a socialist country to	2	against the sale to Hydro One.
3	control any part of our infrastructure? It's a national	3	The gentleman before me gave some convincing arguments to
4	security issue, as far as I'm concerned, and it's not in the	4	support my position here, but over the years the cost of
5	public interest. And I would vote the Commission to vote	5	energy from Avista and the lady made the point that who
6	no.	6	else do you go to from 2004, 2004 to the present, have
7	And how can Public Counsel claim to represent the public	7	basically doubled not only in rates, but the per meter
8	interest and be in favor of Hydro One, a company owned by a	8	charges have gone from \$5 to \$8.50, which is more than
9	socialist country, wholly owning Avista?	9	double.
10	And on this brochure that I have here, the information	10	And my primary belief is that this is due to the green
11	sheet, it says (as read): "The joint applicants proposed a	11	energy movement of wind, solar, and biomass that's dictated
12	merger resulting in Avista becoming an indirect wholly-owned	12	to Avista by the federal government, and if anybody can tell
13	subsidiary of Hydro One."	13	me the cost of generating a kilowatt hour by these,
14	And being a republic as we are, I feel we have no	14	quote/unquote, green alternatives, I would like to see it
15	business being invaded by a socialist company like this	15	because I haven't been able to find it anywhere. Avista
16	taking over part of our infrastructure, and I would vote	16	hasn't been able to give me the cost of a kilowatt generated
17	I would urge you guys to vote against this for the sake of	17	by wind or solar or biomass, and what I have found, however,
18	our country. It's a national security issue to have any	18 19	is that hydroelectric power to date is the cheapest for
19 20	foreign entity having any part of our infrastructure, and I	20	kilowatt price.
20	would urge you to vote no.	20	Who is going to have control if Hydro One buys Avista?
21 22	MALE SPEAKER: Amen. CHAIRMAN DANNER: All right. Thank you, sir.	21	Who is going to have control over the rate increases? Will the same process exist as it does today? In other words,
22	MR. YOUNGBLOOD: So	22	will the utility commission have the say over, or will they
23	CHAIRMAN DANNER: All right. Ms. Pancoast, please go	23	be included in the conversation about increasing rates from
	ahead.	25	Hydro One? I don't know that answer, and that's a
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1	rhetorical question.	1	pipeline infrastructure and even hydroelectric projects,
2	This is not something that is new. If you'll recall, and	2	although, you know, people, you know, can do business and
3	I'm sure you remember, that Puget Sound electric was sold to	3	can contract and do the work, we also take a lot of value in
4	an Australian company recently.	4	the fact that some of these other entities may not have the
5	And I would like to also point out that Amanda Maxwell,	5	training or the apprenticeships to do the type of work that
6	she seems to be a spokesperson for the Commission, made the	6	other entities like the IBEW, or even people out in the
7	statement that we have a statute called the "net benefits	7	fields that do work within the pipeline infrastructure and
8	standard." And to me that means there has to be a benefit	8	different things like that. You've got the kind of skilled
9	not only to Avista and its shareholders, which seems to be	9	workforce out there that can put together an infrastructure
10	the primary beneficiary of this at the tune of \$5.3 billion,	10	in the Avista system. Whether it be overhead power lines,
11	and yet the credit, there's supposed to be a credit they	11	underground power lines, gas pipeline infrastructure,
12	were to receive for ten years, and the statement was that	12	whatever it may be, you definitely want people that are
13	the credit would save a typical residential customer about	13	going to be working on those types of things that's going to
14	\$4.32 a year. That just doesn't seem like a net benefit.	14	give you the quality and the things that you want.
15	So in closing, I would like to say that this reminds me	15	So with that, those were the the few things that I
16	of and I'm sure you've all heard this on the news	16	wanted to kind of elaborate on is just the values and the
17	Uranium One, sale of 20 percent of U.S. uranium to Russia.	17	importance that we hold as the workers in respect to all of
18	Thank you.	18	that, and thank you very much for your time. We thank you
19	CHAIRMAN DANNER: Thank you, sir.	19	for you guys coming out and listening to the voice of the
20	Mr. Brown, go ahead.	20	public in regards to this matter, and thank you very much.
21	MR. BROWN: Hi, my name is Mike Brown. I'm the assistant	21	CHAIRMAN DANNER: All right. Thank you, Mr. Brown.
22	business manager for Local 77 of the International	22	All right. Joel Shank and Jeanne Shank?
23	Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. I represent	23	MR. SHANK: Just me.
24	approximately 650 workers for Avista Utilities. And	24	CHAIRMAN DANNER: Just you. Okay, sir.
25	yesterday I spoke in Spokane, and I just wanted to elaborate	25	And Bill Kruk (phonetic); is that right?
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1	on some of my comments that I that I had yesterday.	1	MR. KROLL: Probably Kroll.
2	I represent the worker, and we take a very large pride	2	COMMISSIONER BALASBAS: Kroll.
3	and also some values in the work that we do. We represent	3	CHAIRMAN DANNER: Oh, Kroll. Okay. Come forward. Go

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bably Kroll. R BALASBAS: Kroll. CHAIRMAN DANNER: Oh, Kroll. Okay. Come forward. Go and also some values in the work that we do. We represent 3 4 lineman, hydro operators, hydro mechanics, gas workers, ahead. sir. meter readers, so on and so forth with the company. 5 MR. SHANK: I have been a customer and a stockholder in And Avista's employees and our members are union members. 6 Washington Water Power since the early '70s. I was a They work really hard. They take a lot of value in the work 7 stockholder and customer of Puget Sound Energy for nearly 20 that they do, and with that, we also have a lot of value in 8 years. And I watched that sale take away my income that I had planned to retire on as dividends, and I see those and also pride just within the industry. 9 When you look across the utility industry as a whole, 10 profits going to Australia. 11 it's a -- it's a very complex business, and we understand Now, I'm seeing the same thing appear to unfold with that. But also, too, there's a lot of workers and people 12 Washington Water Power, or Avista, as it's now known. It out there out in -- out in the right-of-ways in the streets 13 concerns me that the country is sending the money outside of doing their thing, and they take a lot of pride and a lot the United States, outside of Washington in particular. 14 15 Both of these companies were built in this state. They are value in that. So with that, we've had a really good relationship with 16 employed -- or they do employ residents of this state, and Avista over the years dating back to Washington Water Power, 17 now we're talking about sending whatever profit there is and so when we learned about -- also, too, we take a lot of 18 outside of the entire country. 19 pride and value in our apprenticeships and the way that That deeply concerns me, so that I hope that you will we're trained in order to put together a skilled workforce 20 take into consideration that we're not literally offshoring that can construct and maintain the facilities of Avista, 21 our money for Washington -- or Avista that we did for Puget and we work really hard at that. 22 Sound Energy. I would really like to see things like this And so when we learned about basically part of this 23 stay within the country. settlement that there was an agreement with another entity, 24 And I know that the utilities are tightly controlled. I 25 the laborers' entity in regards to doing work on the gas presume they will remain tightly controlled even if they're

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1	held by a foreign agency, but it doesn't belong anywhere	1	Avista for many years. And I appreciate the fellow just
2	else but here. That's it.	2	talked about the fact that Avista's always given really good
3	CHAIRMAN DANNER: Thank you, sir.	3	service. We've always appreciated that. And when we go to
4	Go ahead.	4	a foreign entity, how are we going to be able to control
5	MR. KROLL: Yeah, I'm Bill Kroll. I live in the area	5	that quality of service?
6	around Springdale, Washington, in Stevens County. I'm just	6	They had a fellow talking about the fact that when you go
7	here to speak for myself.	7	to a foreign entity like this, any profits go to that
8	The wife and I lived in Clarkston, Washington, from 1984	8	foreign entity. So we'll have a net drain of funds in the
9	to 1989. During that time, the City of Clarkston sold their	9	area that this affects, so it's an economy drain.
10	water rights, their water system, to an individual in	10	We had one fellow talking about the fact that he
11	France. And of course they had contracts and regulations	11	represented the workers who work for the utility who are
12	that and regulators that he could only that they had	12	under contract with the utility. We might recognize that
13	to be fair with the water rates and that sort of thing. And	13	federal law requires that you don't have to contract with
14	then they found out that since the owner was in a foreign	14	anybody that you don't want to and by doing this, it is
15	country, all of the contracts and regulations and regulating	15	going to require people to actually lose their that
16	boards didn't mean a single thing. They couldn't do a thing	16	ability to determine if they can exercise their right under
17	to him.	17	the law or lose their jobs because of the we're different
18	He doubled and tripled the water rates. The water costs	18	than they are in Canada. We are a country which often
19	more than the electricity. People couldn't afford to water	19	people say is a democracy, but we're not. We're a republic,
20	their lawns, and after about five years, the City of	20	and we have rights that other countries don't have.
21	Clarkston bankrupted the town to buy it back from them.	21	Somebody mentioned that Canada is a communal country, and
22	And it was anyhow, the main point is that they found	22	the government controls them. I think that we need to
23	out all of the regulations and contracts with somebody in a	23	recognize that we need to maintain local control. We don't
24	foreign country couldn't be touched. It didn't mean	24	need to have the government and Canada controlling our power
25	anything. And that seems to me the same thing is going to	25	rates and and even the employees in this area. We need
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1	actually paying for it.	1	opposition to this called "NOPE," Neighbors Opposed to Power
2	I appreciate the opportunity to speak. I have done a	2	Exploration.
3	number of meetings like this where they just blah-blah and	3	Anyway, so Avista, or WWP, needed the, let's say,
4	you have no opportunity for input. Thank you very much.	4	approval of the federal Department of Energy to get to
5	CHAIRMAN DANNER: Thank you. Appreciate it.	5	build this line, and, eventually, through our efforts and
6	All right. Mr. Jackma?	6	other people's efforts, they decided not to. And one of the
7	MR. JACKMA: Thank you for allowing us to have this say.	7	reasons they decided not to is this power line was going to
8	So I this was given out at the last moment. I had no	8	be built through private property, not government's
9	opportunity to look at it or see what it says, so I have to	9	property, federal or state forests, for instance.
10	speak without this knowledge.	10	And the reason being, we found out, is that there are
11	The knowledge I do have is the information pamphlet that	11	many environmental restrictions in order to build power
12	Avista provided us in the bill, and it brings out some very	12	lines through these government properties. These
13	significant points. And I think the first thing we should	13	restrictions do not apply to private properties, especially
14	look at is Hydro One is on is Canada's largest	14	residential areas, and our concern was the Columbia River
15	electricity transmission and distribution. It doesn't say	15	Valley, which is one of the last free-flowing river sections
16	that they're the largest generator. In other words, their	16	with, let's say, scenic beauty left in the United States.
17	business is transporting power from one area to another, and	17	And to run a power line down that would scar it. Disfigure
18	I think this is very significant.	18	it.
19	All right. Going further into the board of directors.	19	And it's also an economically depressed area, and as such
20	They've got nine members, four of which for Avista, five	20	our at least in my view, the only let's say possible way
21	for, let's say, Hydro One, which is Canada, and so already	21	that we can really improve the lot of our area and the
22	the say-so of the new merged corporation is going to lie	22	citizens of the, let's say, Stevens County, is through tours
23	with Hydro One. And then further, as to the makeup of the	23	and recreation, and this power line coming down it would
24	board, what they say here of the five members, three of them	24	affect that.
25	will reside in the Pacific Northwest.	25	So the Department of Energy, through our efforts and
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1	Well, that's a very broad area. Does that include	1	other efforts, declined to approval, and I feel that this is
2	British Columbia? Would they be British Columbia residents	2	the real where's the money going to come from? Who's

Who's 3 or citizens, or would they be Washington State citizens with 3 probably going to profit by selling out the -- well, let's 4 the interest of Washington State first and primary? So 4 say they call it a "merger," but it's probably more a sale 5 that's something else. Are they going to be U.S. citizens, 5 since Hydro One's taking over. How are they going to 6 these three people on the board, or are they going to be 6 profit? We've already got low rates. We don't have a need 7 Canadian citizens? We don't know. It's not touched. 7 for improvement, is the way I look at it, and I think this 8 But you got to go a lot by -- on these things as to what 8 is a criteria. they don't say, and what they don't say is what's going to 9 9 And I think the other thing is I believe your mandate is 10 go -- what my opinion is, the primary reason for this whole 10 for the interest of Washington State, the public good, the merger, and it goes back historically about three decades 11 11 public welfare, and I don't think it's being met by this 12 ago. I think the real goal is to transport Canadian 12 power line. It might benefit these other areas further on 13 electricity through Avista's serving area to other parts of 13 down, but that's about all I have to say, except one other 14 our nation southbound, perhaps areas which are power short 14 thing getting into the sovereignty issue. 15 like California. Arizona. It could even be northern Mexico 15 With power, which is a very necessary thing and the --16 for all we know. But, anyway, I think this is the real goal 16 our modern society is dependent upon it, you're giving what 17 because this is what Hydro One's primary business is. 17 essentially amounts to Hydro One having a -- let's say a 18 Now, we'll go back a little bit historically, and since 18 governing ownership percentage-wise by the government of 19 I'm a 45-year resident of Columbia River Valley, I was 19 Ontario. You're giving a foreign government a right to 20 actively involved in what happened. 20 exercise eminent domain to seize the property in order to 21 Approximately 30 years ago, Avista, then known as WWP, 21 build this power line, and I think there's something 22 attempted to bring Canadian power down through the Columbia 22 basically wrong with that. And Canada is a good neighbor at 23 River Valley all the way to Spokane and, hence, further on. 23 present, but we never know what's going to happen in the 24 24 I don't know. future. 25 25 But, anyway, we citizens, our neighbors, we organized an I have one more comment. I hope this doesn't go through,

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1	but I think from now on our states and the federal	1	company, any company, if they have control of this asset. A
2	government has not been doing it yet. We should put as a	2	lovely investment for a buyer.
3	requirement on any such changes that our power lines and	3	I would not presume I didn't presume yesterday after I
4	power generators in Washington State, which is your domain,	4	heard some of the comments I would not presume to tell
5	be hardened against EMP and against major solar flares,	5	Avista or Hydro One how to run their businesses. That is if
6	which knocked out our so-called electrical system, solar	6	coal strips, clean air fears, or maintenance considerations,
7	flares did in 1859, which amount to telegraph situations.	7	anything that the company has to do, but they do a fabulous
8	And if you look at it now, it would completely devastate	8	job, and I want local control to reside here for maintenance
9	our modern society if we had a solar flare or an EMP done by	9	and service without trying to get approval from a
10	hostile nations, so I thank you very much.	10	disinterested Ontario, Canada company.
11	CHAIRMAN DANNER: Thank you, sir.	11	Yesterday I heard regarding global warming and coral reef
12	MALE SPEAKER: That was beautiful.	12	loss because of global warming. I do not share those fears.
13	CHAIRMAN DANNER: All right. David Paperd?	13	I think we have a very short attention span. We only live
14	MALE SPEAKER: He's up, huh?	14	70 to 90 years, and the Earth is maybe 30, 40 billion years
15	MR. PAPERD: And this is just for recording, not for	15	old.
16	increasing	16	50,000 years ago, there was no water on either the north
17	CHAIRMAN DANNER: That's right. You still have to use	17	or the south poles, so I'm not one to say that my 70 years
18	your outdoor voice, but this is just for keeping the	18	would have made a big change. We probably have, but I'm not
19	(inaudible).	19	to say that.
20	MR. PAPERD: Okay. Good enough. Well, I saw what you	20	If I were to presume to tell Avista how to run their
21	did yesterday, and I liked that there were a lot more	21	business, I and I understood they were here, so I want to
22	liberals there than there are here today. I want to say	22	say this out loud I would tell them that they have an
23	that I do not support the merger, and I urge you all to vote	23	unequivocal moral responsibility to harden their system
24	against it.	24	against any large stray current electrical EMT.
25	A long time ago, personally, I put in an offer on a water	25	I've read an interesting book which suggests that without
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24 technological dead end. 24 I can't imagine what they won't go up after this buyout,	24		24	I can't imagine what they won't go up after this buyout,
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4 all of the financial aspects to big mergers like this. But, 4 still very much more expensive than hydro and other sources	4	-	4	
5 clearly, there must be money to be made. Otherwise, it 5 of power and, therefore, since Canada is so obsessed with	5		5	
6 wouldn't be happening. 6 alternative energy and green energy, that's going to drive	6		6	
7 So, you know, I live in a beautiful area. It's a 7 the decisions regarding the resources that our energy comes	7		7	
8 resource-based economy. You know, we have, you know, 8 from.	8		8	-
9 incredible forests and streams. But as a resource-based 9 So those are all the things that have already been	9		9	So those are all the things that have already been
10 economy, our incomes are more low. Our quality of life is 10 mentioned, but I come from most recently I come from the	10		10	
	11		11	Pullman area in Washington, and so I have been through some
12 And so I feel like since there must be money being made 12 of the dam wars. And so there's a lot of concern I think			12	<b>3</b>
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5 MS. SELECKY: Well, it's my home for 44 years. 5 Okay. So you're a yes, too?	
6 CHAIRMAN DANNER: I know that. 6 MS. O'CONNELL: Yes.	
7 MS. SELECKY: My name is Mary Selecky, and I have been a 7 CHAIRMAN DANNER: Come forward.	
8 customer of both Washington Water Power and Avista. And my 8 .MS. O'CONNELL: Thank you. Yes. My name is Holl	,
9 point for speaking today is to (a) say thank you to them for 9 O'Connell, and thank you for you folks coming here to	
10 the excellent kind of service they have given to us. I was 10 Colville. I've had property here for over 50 years, so this	
11 recently now three summers ago in a huge windstorm, 11 is not someplace I just happened into, and I have a coupl	)
12 and they worked night and day to restore power just out the 12 of questions for you.	
13 Tiger (phonetic) Highway 16 miles. 13 I would like to know what renewable energy sources wi	
14 So my request of the Commission is should this go through 14 be the focus point, and I see in some of your literature it	
15 that you hold whatever the new company is called to standard 15 discusses gas.	
16 that certainly we've been used to and should be used to 16 And so is that does that mean that they're going to be	
17 because Avista's set the bar quite high. And I'm pleased 17 pushing for more gas consumption and transmission? B	cause
18 with the kind of work they have done, so make sure we get 18 I pay close attention to the pipeline for the oil through	
19 good service in our rural areas, okay? 19 central United States, and I watched on C-SPAN the hea	ings
20 CHAIRMAN DANNER: Thank you very much. 20 relative to that pipeline that was going over our major	
21 MS. SELECKY: Nice to see you, David. 21 farming areas of the United States and an acknowledgen	ent
22 CHAIRMAN DANNER: Nice to see you. 22 finally by the Canadian company that was really pushing	or
23 MS. SELECKY: And you too, Jay. And I'm sorry. I don't 23 this that this wouldn't be any oil sold in the United	
24know you, but, Hello.24States. Their objective was to get that oil to Texas where	
25 COMMISSIONER RENDAHL: It is good to meet you. 25 it would be refined and shipped around the world, so you	
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1       CHAIRMAN DANNER: All right. Ken and Candy Barker, you       1       know there's the rest of the story is always important         2       also signed in as maybes.       2       from what it looks like on the surface.	
<ul> <li>3 MR. BARKER: She's not going to, but I will.</li> <li>3 And in this area, as Donna Jones mentioned, you know</li> </ul>	, tho
4 CHAIRMAN DANNER: Okay. Come forward. 4 income isn't all that great. And so I have serious feeling	
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1	administration, whether it's Avista or it goes to another	1	And the second point is the depreciation schedule assumes
2	entity. You know how much is when they raise our rates,	2	a remaining useful life until 2027, but there is presently
3	how much is going into those kinds of benefits for those who	3	no plan by Avista to close the coal strip by a specific
4	are not acknowledging those with incomes of \$35,000 or less,	4	date. So I would be looking for Avista to formulate a plan
5	okay? It's important.	5	and set a firm date for shut down of that plant.
6	And relative to other countries having an impact on us, I	6	My third point concerns that Avista start setting money
7	think Canada is a great neighbor, you know, and I think they	7	aside for cleanup and demolition of the plant. There's
8	do lots of wonderful things.	8	an 800 acres of ash ponds which continue to feed toxic
9	My greater concern right now is the recent acknowledgment	9	underground water and that's leaked from ponds and has
10	of hacking not only into our election system, which most	10	contaminated groundwater.
11	people have heard about, but it sort of got mentioned and	11	The fourth point: Avista has 10 percent ownership share
12	then passed on by, that hacking had also been done to our	12	of the transmission lines that run about 300 miles to tie
13	electric grid and our water grid.	13	into the BPA transmission grid. Avista must make a plan for
14	So my those are my greater concerns about how we use	14	transmission of new renewable energy resources from Montana
15	technology to protect ourselves or use whatever means and	15	to Washington so as not to lose the rights to this
16	the research that needs to be done on protecting our grids	16	transmission asset.
17	from hackers, okay?	17	And that's mainly my concerns. I don't want to leave the
18	So those are I think I pretty well covered the things	18	people in Montana suffering as that coal mine comes to its
19	that were uppermost in my mind, and I thank you again for	19	close.
20	coming and sitting so patiently to listening to all of	20	CHAIRMAN DANNER: All right. Thank you very much.
21	us, and thank you.	21	MS. LEQUE: Thank you for being here.
22	CHAIRMAN DANNER: Thank you.	22	CHAIRMAN DANNER: Thank you.
23	MS. O'CONNELL: We'll look forward to your conclusion.	23	All right. Mr. Hornor?
24	CHAIRMAN DANNER: Thank you very much.	24	MR. HORNER: Roland Hornor from Colville, Wyoming how
25	MS. O'CONNELL: Thank you.	25	about Washington.
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1	CHAIRMAN DANNER: So I just want to clarify. The	1	These dams in the Bonneville Power Administration, which
2	materials that were handed out today, this sheet is from the	2	are up and down the Columbia River and in my understanding,
3	Attorney General's consumer advocate office and the Attorney	3	even on the Snake River. And I think Avista has a vested
4	General. The other one was from Avista. So we actually	4	interest in a good many of them, if not I don't know how
5	haven't handed out anything and		interest in a good many or alone, in not in a direction not
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1	I don't want these given to any foreign corporation.	1	Montana. It's right on the border between Montana and
2	We've got enough trouble with our own management, domestic	2	Wyoming, and I want to mention a couple of things.
3	management and the problems that they create without	3	The Powder River Basin. I worked for 25 years in the
4	worrying about what a foreign entity may do.	4	Powder River Basin railroad. I have been in at virtually
5	Ontario Power has pretty much clearly stated that they	5	every mine in the Powder River Basin. I couldn't tell you
6	are really seriously interested in alternative energy. I	6	how many times. I have been in many, not necessary all, a
7	have no opposition personally to alternative energy other	7	lot of the regional generating stations.
8	than the fact on a widespread scale, you know, for industry	8	And what should be known is when I retired this is
9	and things that we needed, you know, it's the sun doesn't	9	and they were producing close to 40 percent of the
10	shine.	10	generating coal utilized in the entire United States. The
11	Anybody live in northeast Wyoming? They realize that	11	State of Wyoming, eastern Montana, western North Dakota have
12	there's very little sunshine for about four months out of	12	enough coal this is fact for 200 years minimum; the
13	the year. It's just it can be done, and people do have	13	next 200 years at present rates of usage. The real truth is
14	it. But this is us on a private scale. This is not on a	14	it's closer to 400 years.
15	national or a statewide or a regional scale. It's just not	15	This is discounting the immense amounts of coal that are
16	practical at this point in time.	16	found in other regions of the United States. United
17	If you lived in Yuma, Arizona, that would be a little	17	States this is this is something that you folks on the
18	different story. Yuma, Arizona, has a reputation of being	18	Commission should know, and you should be telling the public
19	possibly one of the most sunniest spots on the entire	19	instead of the public telling you the United States is
20	planet. That would be the spot to put your alternative	20	the Saudi Arabia of coal on the planet. We have more coal
21	energy type of things.	21	in the United States than any other country in the world.
22	Ontario Hydro is, of course, a Canadian corporation.	22	There's lots of other coal deposits all around the world,
23	They're under the Paris accord. We, to the best of my	23	but nobody's got what we have.
24	understanding, are not actually under (inaudible) them	24	We are afraid to use it as if it's dirty.
25	except as far as I believe the governor of the State of	25	FEMALE SPEAKER: It is.
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2	And whether the people have or the governor has	2	And I think you guys also need a good sound system. You
3	forbidden the use of them, I'm not familiar with that. But	3	get in the back of this room, you can't hear yourself talk.
4	you're talking about hundreds and tens of hundreds of	4	FEMALE SPEAKER: That's right.
5	millions, and maybe even a billion dollars each for these	5	CHAIRMAN DANNER: I'm sorry.
6	generating plants and stations. And to tear them out, this	6	MR. SMITH: And believe it or not, we come down here to
7	is a criminal use of taxpayer money because the taxpayers or	7	hear what the individuals have to say. And when you get
8	ratepayers paid for every one of them.	8	down here and you're 25 or 30 feet away and you can't hear
9	You know, whether it's a mine, whether it's a railroad	9	them, it is serious. And sound systems aren't that
10	infrastructure, whether it's a generating plants,	10	expensive.
11	taxpayers and customers and consumers pay for every bit of	11	I have been down to Arizona for winters. I've had enough
12	that, and nobody's got a right to tear that out. That's a	12	of the cold weather up here. And they're in the same
13	taking. That is theft on a national and if we have a	13	problem, the Four Corner plats (verbatim) up in the
14	foreign corporation in here running an outfit like Avista,	14	northeastern Arizona as you know. The environmentalists
15	you've got alien philosophies and alien people running and	15	want to shut down all of the coal plants.
16	potentially damaging long term your country.	16	Well, it puts hundreds of the Indian tribes out of work,
17	I think I don't have to tell you that I'm (inaudible)	17	the Apaches, and they the Navajos both have staff in the
18	very much opposed to this merger. I think it's I think	18	plants from the coal mines.
19	it's I think the occupants of the lunatic asylums have	19	And it's going to create a real economic problem, and all
20	been turned loose, and I think they've been put into	20	I could see happening from the brokering that I did in hydro
21	positions of authority to even consider something like this.	21	with the modern generation, coal actually, from my
22	So I trust that you use some reason, logic, and common	22	standpoint to wind and solar are simply something
23	sense and oppose this. Thank you.	23	you'd want to talk about and improve drastically before you
24	CHAIRMAN DANNER: Thank you, sir.	24	put millions or even billions of dollars into effective
25	Okay. Barry Smith, will you come forward, sir, and	25	installment plants and wind farms and the like.
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2	something.	2	fire plants in case that wind doesn't blow or that sun
3	I wondered if it had been taken into consideration the	3	doesn't shine. And that's all I've got to say.
4	Avista's waste to energy programs, because the one out in	4	CHAIRMAN DANNER: All right. Thank you, sir.
5	Kettle Falls is really a jewel. It's a national it's	5	Okay. So this brings us to the end of the sign-in
6	nationally recognized, and what will happen to that over	6	sheets oh, I see a hand, sir. Come forward.
7	time?	7	UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: I would like the State's
8	There's also there's a waste energy in Spokane, but	8	attorney general representative to please come forward.
9	I'm more familiar with the one in Kettle Falls. I took a	9	MS. GAFKIN: I'm right here.
10	tour of it, and it's amazing. It's really high tech and	10	UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Come forward, please.
11	very good and I just wondered because there's a whole lot	11	CHAIRMAN DANNER: Sir, we'll
12	of garbage that is transported there and into the Spokane	12	UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Just a minute, please.
13	waste energy systems, too what happens if it becomes	13	CHAIRMAN DANNER: Well, all right. This is unusual.
14	something that maybe the Canadians are not interested in,	14	UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: I know this is (inaudible).
15	you know, and maybe just they let it sort of go by the	15	Please come forward.
16	wayside, or they don't want to put money into it? Where	16	CHAIRMAN DANNER: So this is not the way we're going to
17	does all that garbage go?	17	do the public hearing, sir.
18	That means more they're going to need more landfills	18	UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: This is a
19	and I don't know. I look at it as I I know people are	19	CHAIRMAN DANNER: So
20	worried that the Canadians are so pro-alternative energy,	20	UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: This is a public hearing.
21	but they don't have a sterling, you know, reputation for	21	She's a representative that allowed this document, that she
22	environmentalism. So I wouldn't be too afraid that they	22	represented to us
23	want to knock the dams down. I really wouldn't worry about	23	CHAIRMAN DANNER: Yes.
24	that. They have a lot of environmental issues up there	24	UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: and she needs to be
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4	MS. GAFKIN: No.	4	If you're opposed, please raise your hand.
5	UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Who are they who appointed	5	MS. PANCOAST: I think that's information for you, sir.
6	them?	6	CHAIRMAN DANNER: So, yes. And I just want to say
7	MS. GAFKIN: The people of Washington voted for the	7	something. We have been listening to testimony all
8	Attorney General. I am not an elected official.	8	afternoon. We understand everybody's testimony here today.
9	UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: I asked about these people.	9	It is very clearly stated, and we appreciate everyone coming
10	CHAIRMAN DANNER: Oh, sir. I can answer that question	10	out and talking to us.
11	for you.	11	We have to go through certain processes because that's
12	UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Okay. Are you appointed by	12	our job, so we are listening to testimony. We are going to
13	the governor?	13	four different cities in Avista's service territory to
14	CHAIRMAN DANNER: Yes. I'm appointed by the governor for	14	listen to what folks have to say. And as we go forward, we
15	a six-year term.	15	will take everything that has been said under advisement,
16	UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Okay. Now, Mr. Inslee has	16	but we have to give everybody their day in court, and that
17	violated federal law in this instance by taking and ignoring	17	includes Avista.
18	the President's edict that we are not part of the Paris	18	So we aren't going to be making any statements here about
19	accord. That is under federal law, and it takes two people,	19	how we might vote. That has to come later. But I will say
20	whether it's domestic or an actual criminal act of	20	we take this very seriously. We have a lot of information
21	terrorism, to be charged with treason.	21	still to gather. You have raised very important concerns
22	You, as board members, may be charged as co-conspirators.	22	today, and we are going to be looking at everything that
23	FEMALE SPEAKER: For what?	23	people have said today.
24	UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: For treason.	24	So I don't want to we didn't come out here because we
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