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Dear Commission members,

We are writing to object to the pending merger of Avista Corporation with Hydro-One of Ontario, Canada.

We find it impossible to understand why you would sanction the transfer of the numerous Hydro-Electric Dams and extensive property holdings owned by Avista Corporation to a corporation in a foreign government at all, let alone at a time in history when our national electrical grid infrastructure is in such a precarious condition.

We believe that if this pending merger occurs in August of 2018, it will put all Avista customers at the whim of a foreign entity with no recourse of action.

We urge you to not allow this.

Thank you for your consideration,

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