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As a 53 year customer and shareholder of Washington Water Power - now Avista - I am very concerned that a 128 year old Washington company is about to be sold to Hydro One of Ontario, Canada, which is principally owned by Ontario, a Providence of Canada.

As a customer and shareholder, I see no advantage to being owned by Canadian interests. The only people that gain big rewards are the executives of Avista who are arranging the deal.

I think it is in the interests of the State of Washington to retain a 128 year old corporation and I believe it is in our national interests to have Avista remain a United States corporation.

I certainly do not wish to pay my utility bills to a Canadian Providence in Canada.

I hope that you will see fit to deny this merger.

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