

June 17, 2018

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RE: Avista merger with Hydro-One

I was in attendance at the Coeur d'Alene meeting on 06/14/2018, and concur with the people who testified. NO!

One concern I have is that the general public in Idaho is unknowledgeable about this situation, because very few people subscribe to newspapers and seldom read. Trust me on this.

No one mentioned Avista's 1.9 billion dollar debt. Of course, this would disappear with the merger.

America is being bought out by foreign companies. See enclosed page for some examples.

It seems that Avista is overly concerned about its image with the public with contributions to charity. I suggest that Avista, amongst others, including the Idaho Public Utilities Commission, read the book, TOXIC CHARITY by Robert D. Lupton. See enclosure. Avista needs to focus on its primary purpose.

Just last night, June 16, 2018, at the opening of the baseball season, AVISTA PARTNERED WITH TOYOTA TO GIVE AWAY A BRAND NEW TOYOTA.

Enclosed is an approximate accounting of Avista's grand endeavors. The dates above refer to the the dates this information was in the Spokesman Review.

I do not have the time to "polish" this presentation, please understand.

Sincerely,



Anita Skrobut
Avista Customer

FOREIGN COUNTRIES THAT OWN THE USA (SOME EXAMPLES)

AUSTRALIA

Puget Sound Power and Light

JAPAN

Columbia Pictures, Empire State Building, Firestone & Rubber, Pebble Beach Golf Course, Rockefeller Center, 7-Eleven

CHINA

General Electric, Hotel Coronado, (an icon), Several Four Seasons Hotels, several Ritz Carlton Hotels, Waldorf Astoria, and China was making a bid for the Sheraton Hotels which owns the Westin Hotels, and insurer Fidelity Guaranty Life

CANADA

Oberto, a century old sausage and snack maker in Seattle; in paper 4/14/18, Burger King, American Apparel (2017/\$88 million)

ITALY

Sunglass Hut

BRITAIN

Holiday Inn, Hellman's

COUNTRIES UNKNOWN

Budweiser, Ben & Jerry, Trader Joe's

7/20/17

Civic leadership would continue. Avista's contributions to charity average \$2,000,000 /yr. Hydro-One will double that amount, making a 4.9million contribution. The FOUNDATION funds community non-profit organizations.

4,500 back packs, (How many of you had 12, or 16 years of schooling and never owned a backpack?), YWCA, Avista Stadium, United Way, Whitworth, Eastern Washington, Gonzaga, Providence Health Care, Northwest Museum of Arts, \$5,000 to The Christmas Fund , \$50,000 to create an endowed scholarship fund for WSU medical students. And who knows what else.

Avista paid for studies about health care's role in the local economy.

8/31/17

Avista is planning a major bioscience hub with a 6 story 140,000 sq/ ft multi-use building filled with high-tech labs, offices, classrooms and study areas.

Avista is building a 1.6 million private corporate hangar at Spokane National Airport, 8,000 sq.ft, will include a private office. 4/29/17

Avista has a 1.9 billion dollar debt. I suggest that Avista leaders read the book TOXIC CHARITIES by ROBERT LUPTON. The book is highly recommended in local churches and in some is required reading for anyone interested in volunteering or applying for employment.

Scott Morris has a \$ 4.5 million lavish package, which includes salary, bonuses, pension benefits, and stock.

In 10/17 he was the largest shareholder, owning 183,894 shares, worth \$9.75 million dollars. (Thus, he can easily afford to donate lavishly)

7/23/17

Amanda Maxwell—THE NET BENEFIT STANDARD—The merger wouldn't be allowed to proceed unless the companies could show a benefit to ratepayers from the sale, either through credits on their bills, investments in green energy or consumer protection provisions. Refer to Nov. 28th .AVISTA PROPOSES A \$31MILLION IN RATE CREDITS. THE TYPICAL RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMER WOJULD RECEIVE A REDUCTION OF \$4.32 PER YEAR. NO TYPO ! (What a deal!)

10/28/17

Avista wants higher rates for capital spending, including dam renovations. Avista expects to pay \$404 million annually on capital projects through 2021.

11/02/17

The cash purchase includes the assumption of Avista's 1.9 billion debt.

11/21/17 The Spokesman Review

The global forces that swept up PacifiCorp and Puget before it-twice-have caught up with Avista. The deal might provide stability that has been so elusive for many years.

ROBERT D. LUPTON

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TOXIC CHARITY

How Churches and Charities Hurt Those They Help

(And How to Reverse It)



"Lupton says hard things that need to be said. . . . If we accept rather than
 resist his critique, the poor and non-poor will both be better off."
 —Christianity Today

June 18, 2018

Idaho Public Utilities
P.O. Box 83720
Boise, Idaho 83720-0074

Re: Arista Sale - Case#: AVU-E-17-09

Dear Commissioners;

I was born and raised in Kellogg, Idaho since 1945. I am a native of Idaho and the United States!!

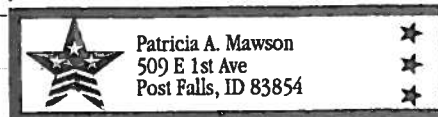
I do not want Arista to sell their business to a foreign country and that includes Canada! I believe a purchase by a foreign country will give them POWER/PERMISSION to raise prices for any reason: Legitimate or Not Legitimate Reasons.

The United States of America needs to keep the business in the States and look for another person/business to make a sale - if it is really necessary.

My Personal Belief is that the USA needs to take care of themselves!!

Thank You for looking into this important situation

Sincerely... Patricia A. Mawson



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Re: HYDRO ONE

TAKEOVER OF AVISTA

Gentlemen:

I am AGAINST THIS TAKEOVER. NO TAKEOVER.

REASONS ARE MANY:

1. Foreign ownership
2. Money Controls are not good.
3. OUR WATER IS MORE VALUABLE TO US
THAN A FOREIGN CORP COULDEVER imagine!
4. please VOTE NO

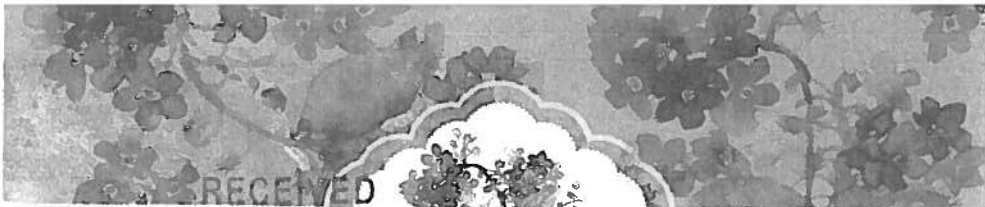
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DOUGLAS M. STELLMON

P.O. B 2017

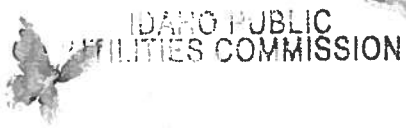
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6238 N. Harcourt Dr.
Coeur d'Alene ID 83815
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Idaho Public Utilities

P. O. Box 83720

Boise, ID 83720-0074

Re: AVU-E-17-09 or AVU-G-17-05

Dear Commissioners:

We are opposed to Canadian Company Hydro One purchasing Avista and having control over Idaho customers power grid. Please deny their request and serve the people of Idaho and protect our interests. Thank you.

James A. Davis
Mary J. Davis



Diane Holt

From: geskridge43@gmail.com
Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2018 4:06 PM
To: Beverly Barker; Diane Holt; Matthew Evans
Subject: Case Comment Form: George Eskridge

Name: George Eskridge
Case Number: AVU-E-17-09
Email: geskridge43@gmail.com
Telephone:
Address: P.O. Box 112
Dover Idaho, 83825

Name of Utility Company: Avista

Comment: I am opposed to the proposed merger between Avista and the Hydro One. This merger will allow foreign control over electric production facilities in Idaho and the Pacific Northwest. In addition, ownership of Avista by Hydro One will make it more difficult to balance the regional (including Idaho) interests in operation of the Columbia River System in terms of hydro-power production, flood control, fish and wildlife interests and recreation benefits important to the Pacific Northwest. Operation of Lake Pendoreille in terms of flood control and recreation concerns for lake levels will be even more complex given the Canadian interests in operation of the Columbia Rivers system are not always in concert with the needs of Idaho and the Pacific Northwest. Additionally, it is not in the best interest of the U.S. and the Pacific Northwest for ratepayer dollars to flow across the border to benefit Canadian rate payers and the Canadian economy.

I urge the Idaho PUC commissioners and commission to oppose this merger.

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Diane Holt

From: ckkerley@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, June 20, 2018 11:25 AM
To: Beverly Barker; Diane Holt; Matthew Evans
Subject: Case Comment Form: Cherylyn Kerley

Name: Cherylyn Kerley
Case Number: AVU-E-17-09 And AVU-G-17-05
Email: ckkerley@yahoo.com
Telephone: 2089832505
Address: 43 Deerwood Dr
Grangeville ID, 83530

Name of Utility Company: Hydro One

Comment: I wish to state my objection to Hydro One of Canada taking control of Avista power. Hydro One does not share the same ideology as most Idahoans, and it's policies are sure to greatly increase the electric rates. We are very happy with Avista and would like to see the same service continue, which we believe will not happen with Hydro One.

Thank you for your consideration,

Cherylyn Kerley

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Diane Holt

From: wvorr3@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, June 20, 2018 12:02 PM
To: Beverly Barker; Diane Holt; Matthew Evans
Subject: Case Comment Form: William Orr

Name: William Orr
Case Number: AVU-E-17-09
Email: wvorr3@yahoo.com
Telephone: 2086619511
Address: 4118 N. 21st St.
Coeur d'Alene ID, 83815

Name of Utility Company: Avista

Comment: I have concerns over the proposed merger between Hydro One and Avista. The merger announcement promises no cost cutting measures but promises "immediate" cost savings, without detailing how the cost savings will be achieved.

Generally merger agreements promote the synergistic savings of combined administrative functions. In this case the two entities are in different national regulatory, legal and financial environments. In fact, the companies primarily generate power using different technology, reducing the opportunity for knowledge transfer. It is difficult to envision savings when functional requirements will not be reduced and may in fact be increased by having to combine the two disparate systems. Without the ability to share personnel, equipment or administrative functions due to physical distance and regulatory requirements, I fail to understand how the savings will be generated.

I believe the companies need to detail the cost savings & increases they envision, providing the PUC with ranges anticipated. This information could be used to verify the assumptions should the merger be approved and to impose limits or penalties should the benefits not occur. This would prevent any future pass through costs impacting the rate payers.

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Diane Holt

From: klefsaker@gmail.com
Sent: Wednesday, June 20, 2018 1:38 PM
To: Beverly Barker; Diane Holt; Matthew Evans
Subject: Case Comment Form: Ken Lefsaker

Name: Ken Lefsaker
Case Number: AVU-E-17-09 And AVU-G-17-05
Email: klefsaker@gmail.com
Telephone: 2085070086
Address: 34 Red Barn Ln
Grangeville IDAHO, 83530

Name of Utility Company: Avista

Comment: Please explain how a foreign entity can own one of our utilities! And in particular that foreign entity already is in debt and is hammering their current customers in Canada with extremely high power rates. This cannot be good for any Avista customers, in fact very bad. This needs to be stopped.

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Diane Holt

From: lcoyote.br@gmail.com
Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2018 7:59 PM
To: Beverly Barker; Diane Holt; Matthew Evans
Subject: Case Comment Form: Ben Rutherford

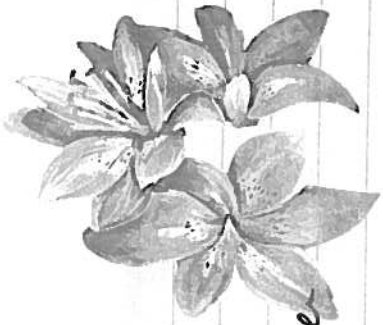
Name: Ben Rutherford
Case Number:
Email: lcoyote.br@gmail.com
Telephone: 2086614598
Address: 1747 E Huntley Ave
Coeur d Alene Id, 83815

Name of Utility Company: Avista

Comment: Selling this our company to a Canadian company sucks!!!! What's wrong with you people??

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Take a Note!



You could go there
with this

You can stop this!

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Commissioners!

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Don't let Foreign Countries
run over our Companies,
our rate declines
then you know that it won't
last! Don't make enough to sustain
our utilities! We are giving our
State & Country away to everyone who
can't care for our rights, our Country,
made in like Europe with the Christ
and name & what could they make us
we don't want to do?!!

How good is Toronto & what they do?
eyes for the Eastern part of our world
what do they know about how they take
of eyes would here in Idaho?

Stop this giveaway & think how
in order to ender change our way of
living! I'll get you old & see what he
ing on in our Country!

Sincerely

William Bellow

Subpoint, Idaho.

or