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**From:** ansonj@asme.org  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 17, 2011 10:40 AM  
**To:** Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness  
**Subject:** PUC Comment Form

A Comment from Jon Anson follows:

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Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power  
Acknowledge: acknowledge

Please describe your comment briefly:  
March 17, 2011

Dear Sirs,

I am writing this letter of support for the Rainbow West Wind IPC-E-10-59 and Rainbow Ranch Wind IPC-E-10-59 wind farms. These farms if approved for the PPA in front of the commission will provide jobs and increase the security of the power in the region through the distribution of the power generation of the wind resource. The security of the power rates for Idaho Power customers, especially with the variable rate schedule will assist in keeping the rates for Idaho Power customers fair and reasonable over the time period for the production of electrical power for the region.

Brian Jackson has proven himself to be a highly qualified and ethical developer that will be able to perform and meet the promises that he has made to all parties, land owner, power company, PUC, public officials, manufacturers, and others involved in the project.

I would request that you approve the PPA and any other requests that American Wind Group and Brian Jackson has before the commission.

Regards,

Jon Anson

Terra Blue LLC

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**From:** reiserlawoffice@gmail.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 17, 2011 10:39 AM  
**To:** Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness  
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A Comment from J. C. Reiser, Esq. follows:

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City: Eagle  
State: ID  
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Daytime Telephone: 208-695-0502  
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Acknowledge: acknowledge

Please describe your comment briefly:  
REISER LAW OFFICE, P.C.  
642 W. Aikens  
Eagle, ID 83616

March 17, 2011

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

RE: American Wind Group, LLC-40 MW Wind Farm at Rainbow Ranch, IPC-E-10-59 RAINBOW RANCH WIND, PC-E-10-60 RAINBOW WEST WIND

Dear Commissioners:

At this time I stand in support of the wind farm project proposed by Brian D. Jackson and the American Wind Group, LLC (AWG) and/or Rainbow Ranch Wind, who appears now to propose construction of a 40 MW wind farm in the Cassia County. My professional background includes being engaged in natural resource and energy law since the early 90's as an attorney licensed to practice in Idaho; being a licensed real estate broker in Idaho; and recently served as the Chairman of the Idaho Strategic Energy Alliance, Baseload Task Force.

It is my privilege to come before you to petition on behalf of this outstanding engineer, his company, and the proposed wind farm project before you today. Being in the energy industry for so many years, I may honestly declare that Mr. Brian Jackson in a relatively short time has impressed me as a seasoned, high-performance expert, serving his clients and investors with passion, integrity, loyalty, service excellence, while balancing significant professional demands with those of an understanding and appreciative family. His professional ethics have one focus: delivering exceptional results to the ultimate beneficiaries of his efforts; to you in Owyhee County and the community of Murphy Flats at large. Brian Jackson, P.E. has done much to earn the continuing trust and loyalty of the farmers and landowners in your jurisdiction and will continue to remain a responsible civic partner decades into the future.

Having worked closely with Mr. Jackson in creating links with potential sources of financing, from the vantage of working with several renewable energy developments, I was amazed with the

knowledge and experience base Brian had acquired in his engineering work with utilities and major corporations. He is unlike many diving into wind development industry today; he actually can demonstrate a successful track record of permitting, building, installing, and operating quality wind turbines even in an area of extreme weather conditions as he did in Alaska. He combines years of integrated industry experience and understanding of community needs to bring competitive advantages to his entire operation.

His solutions-oriented professional engineering and development team has demonstrated years of professional accountability to execute precisely established goals. He seeks best-in-industry solutions through a continuous commitment to innovation and operational improvement. Using best business practices, he and those he has hand-selected for his team are prepared to deliver integrated, end-to-end, mission critical solutions, linking needs to a full suite of integrated project management, training, and wind technology services for the utility off-take partner, Idaho Power. Brian is willing to take his efforts one step further, not just building more wind turbines to generate power for community use. Such behavior is rare in this "slap it up and walk away world!" American Wind Group, LLC is dedicated to sustainable solutions as we transition from our dependence on fossil fuels.

Mr. Jackson's ancestral family has lived and farmed in the area for decades. He and his own family intend to remain part of the community for decades to come. He is invested here and desires to help in generating jobs, training young people for new careers in a growing industry, and is dedicated to keeping the projects sustainable, quality operations, and conduct meaningful research to protect and preserve the quality of life we all desire to enjoy.

The American Wind Group, LLC has a clear roadmap of what they can reasonably and carefully develop. They have studied the wind, evaluated the energy flows they may feasibly capture, negotiated the critical contractual relationships, prepared for proper levels of capitalization, focused on their core competencies of developing, building and delivering wind-generated power to aide the demand for electrical power by consumers.

They clearly appreciate that you must carefully scrutinize the benefits and limitations of their project while they must gauge profitability, potential, and resource recovery technology against the financial, environmental, aesthetic and personal investments of time and talent on each project. They reached into the depth of their expertise to develop a comprehensive plan from which they will evaluate their success at many stages along the way.

Should I be of any further assistance, please feel free to contact me at the address, phone, or e-mail address provided above. If I were in your position and were aware of the stellar qualities demonstrated by this developer candidate seeking approval for a conditional use permit, I would ask him how many other permit applications he intends to request in your area and hope he would request many more. Although I personally stand to benefit should one of my contact sources provide future financing for these projects, my immediate endorsement is without reservation or compensation and is offered enthusiastically. The economic impact to Cassia County may be quantified; however, the psychological boost may be without measure.

Thank you for the opportunity to have this letter of support included into the record. This particular proposed plan and local engineering group lead by the competent and committed Brian Jackson will become a long-term asset to the citizens of Cassia County.

Sincerely,

J. C. Reiser, Esq.

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**From:** clmbfam@onewest.net  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 17, 2011 5:14 PM  
**To:** Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness  
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A Comment from Kurt Myers follows:

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Case Number: IPC-E-10-59, -60  
Name: Kurt Myers  
Address: 4001 S. Pine Needle Cir.  
City: Idaho Falls  
State: ID  
Zip: 83404  
Daytime Telephone: 208-521-1108  
Contact E-Mail: [clmbfam@onewest.net](mailto:clmbfam@onewest.net)  
Name of Utility Company: Idaho Falls Power  
Acknowledge: acknowledge

Please describe your comment briefly:

I would like to comment about the proposed power purchase agreement for the Rainbow Ranch wind project, along with the Rainbow West project and other similar wind PPA's currently up for approval. The geographic dispersion of several of these projects will help smooth the variability in power output from the multiple wind farms already on the power system or soon to be installed. If the interconnect studies show that the transmission system can accommodate the power and the power system can maintain stability and reliability, then these projects should move forward. I have been involved in wind data collection and analysis at many sites around Idaho and the region for many years. This analysis has shown that smaller wind farms spread across larger geographical areas accomplishes the effect of smoothing the cumulative wind power output, and makes the integration of wind power somewhat easier.

Most of the projects currently proposed for PPA's are in relatively different areas than the wind projects that are already on the Idaho power system. They will allow for a more even spread of wind projects in the region between Northeastern Oregon and Southeast Idaho, and will likely on average smooth the current input of wind power in the region. With major restrictions now in place in Idaho for further wind development and no definitive end in sight, it would be nice to not have most of the wind developments in Idaho concentrated in just a few smaller areas.

In addition, most of these wind projects were working on their developments and negotiating the PPA's well before the retroactive date of December 14, 2010 that was placed before them in the latest IPUC PURPA proceedings. As the Rainbow projects signed their portion of the proposed PPA before 12/14/10, it is my opinion that they should be allowed to proceed even though other events occurred that prevented the signing of the contracts by all parties involved before December 14th.

I also believe that the current discussions about wind power's effects on energy prices will become moot as these power plants become depreciated assets over time, just as we have cheaper power now thanks to more costly investments in the past. Thank you for your time.

Respectfully,

Kurt Myers

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**From:** tuckettfamily2@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 17, 2011 2:02 PM  
**To:** Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness  
**Subject:** PUC Comment Form

A Comment from JaLynn Tuckett follows:

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Case Number: IPC-10-E-59 and 60  
Name: JaLynn Tuckett  
Address: 990 S. 2020 E.  
City: Declo  
State: Idaho  
Zip: 83323  
Daytime Telephone: 208-645-3176  
Contact E-Mail: [tuckettfamily2@yahoo.com](mailto:tuckettfamily2@yahoo.com) Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power  
Acknowledge: acknowledge

Please describe your comment briefly:

I would like to take this opportunity to voice my support of the Rainbow Ranch Wind projects. This project will bring nothing but good to our community: jobs, money, and green energy. I teach in Malta and it would be a wonderful opportunity to take our students to see this project and show them that our community is looking toward our future and working hard to preserve our way of life.

Thank you,  
JaLynn Tuckett

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**From:** david@Americanwind.net  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 17, 2011 10:54 AM  
**To:** Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness  
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A Comment from David Warrick follows:

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Case Number: IPC-E-10-56, 57, 58, 59, 60.  
Name: David Warrick  
Address: 2475 S. Johns Ave  
City: Emmett  
State: Idaho  
Zip: 83617  
Daytime Telephone: 209-861-5151  
Contact E-Mail: [david@Americanwind.net](mailto:david@Americanwind.net)  
Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power Company  
Acknowledge: acknowledge

Please describe your comment briefly:

To whom it may concern,  
I'm writing this letter with my concerns of not allowing these projects to move forward. We have put everything into these projects! The landowner and the development team are all Local People trying to improve the counties and the state. The job opportunities alone will help bring Idahoans back to work. So many people are having to leave there families and work out of state. Projects like these that emphasize local contractor is a large step in moving Idaho forward.

Sincerely,

David Warrick

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**From:** lwarrick@live.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 17, 2011 10:43 AM  
**To:** Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness  
**Subject:** PUC Comment Form

A Comment from Lindsey Warrick follows:

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Case Number: IPC-E-10-56, 57, 58, 59, 60  
Name: Lindsey Warrick  
Address: 2475 S. Johns Ave  
City: Emmett  
State: Idaho  
Zip: 83617  
Daytime Telephone: 208-739-3232  
Contact E-Mail: [lwarrick@live.com](mailto:lwarrick@live.com)  
Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power Company  
Acknowledge: acknowledge

Please describe your comment briefly:

To whom it may concern,  
Im writing this letter with my concerns of not allowing these projects to move forward, I feel that this is a very serious subject that needs to be confronted. Have you looked at the unemployment rates lately? They are at a all time low! By allowing wind turbans we can allow so many jobs that are so much needed, and by giving jobs to people we can cuts costs across the board. With that said wind turbans will not only create more jobs in the state, but they will also create so much power and keep our power prices down.  
There has been so much time and energy put into the research of wind in the state that has a paper trail of proof behind it. If the state passes a bill on the ban of wind turbans in Idaho it will be a devastation to our state.  
Sincerely,

Lindsey Warrick

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**From:** dwsold@gmail.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 17, 2011 10:39 AM  
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A Comment from Bethal Frakes follows:

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Case Number: IPC-E-10-56, 57, 58, 59, 60  
Name: Bethal Frakes  
Address: 8508 Washoe Rd.  
City: Payette  
State: Idaho  
Zip: 83661  
Daytime Telephone: 208-642-4344  
Contact E-Mail: [dwsold@gmail.com](mailto:dwsold@gmail.com)  
Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power  
Acknowledge: acknowledge

Please describe your comment briefly:

To whom it may concern

I would like to see wind turbans put up in the state of Idaho, they do so much in creating power and would bring employment to our state which is so much needed. There are so many places where they could be put and are not dangerous.

In Oregon they are using wind power in so many places and are doing so well, so let's help our economy with wind turbans. Not only do they create a lot of power but will put so many people back to work.

Thank You for your time  
Bethal Frakes

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**From:** Lwarrick@live.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 17, 2011 10:35 AM  
**To:** Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness  
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A Comment from Sharon Frakes follows:

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Case Number: IPC-10-56, 57, 58, 59, 60  
Name: Sharon Frakes  
Address: 2428 Crystal Ct.  
City: Nampa  
State: Idaho  
Zip: 83687  
Daytime Telephone: 208-467-2121  
Contact E-Mail: [Lwarrick@live.com](mailto:Lwarrick@live.com)  
Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power Company  
Acknowledge: acknowledge

Please describe your comment briefly:  
To whom it may concern

I feel the wind turban project is a great asset to our state, especially since so much time and research has already been put into this project. Turbans are the new way of energy for Idaho and we need to keep on top of the project. The wind turban project would create a lot of jobs in Idaho and that would help the unemployment rate go down that Idaho pays out every month. I feel wind turbans are a lot better than building more nuclear plants in Idaho (Japan!!). I feel that Idaho needs to keep on top of this turban project.

Thank You for Your time

Sharon Frakes

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**From:** roger@coldwellbankertg.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 17, 2011 10:27 AM  
**To:** Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness  
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A Comment from Coral Warrick follows:

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Case Number: IPC-E-10-56,57,58,59,60  
Name: Coral Warrick  
Address: 9701 W Desert  
City: Boise  
State: Idaho  
Zip: 83709  
Daytime Telephone: 208-362-8080  
Contact E-Mail: [roger@coldwellbankertg.com](mailto:roger@coldwellbankertg.com) Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power Company  
Acknowledge: acknowledge

Please describe your comment briefly:

To whom it may concern,  
Please consider the job opportunities for our local Idaho people. The operations and maintenance of the wind sights will employ full time people in Idaho. The county will reap economic benefit immediate and long term steady income.  
I was surprised to learn that the state of Idaho is not currently self sufficient in producing power for our state. I encourage you to approve these wind projects for power for the state of Idaho. The individual ranchers and farmers that are contracting their ground for these sights will receive income. This is an important reason for your approval, during our economic climate now and our future.

Sincerely,  
Coral Warrick

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**From:** roger@coldwellbankertg.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 17, 2011 10:31 AM  
**To:** Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness  
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A Comment from Roger Warrick follows:

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Case Number: IPC-E-10-56, 57, 58, 59, 60.  
Name: Roger Warrick  
Address: 9701 W. Desert  
City: Boise  
State: Idaho  
Zip: 83709  
Daytime Telephone: 208-861-5500  
Contact E-Mail: [roger@coldwellbankertg.com](mailto:roger@coldwellbankertg.com) Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power Company  
Acknowledge: acknowledge

Please describe your comment briefly:  
To whom it may concern

I am respectfully asking you to approve this wind project. There has been a considerable cost to get this project to this stage. Thousands of hours of work would be wasted if it isn't approved. There are a lot of people depending on this project, starting with the ranchers that own the ground.

Construction jobs will be lost and the companies that hire workers will not be able to profit by building it. With the unemployment rate so high, we need these jobs.

With the problems around the world, Japan, the Far East, Europe and here in the United States energy prices continue to rise. This project makes good sense. Please approve this project. It's good for the United States of America and for Idaho.

Sincerely  
Roger P Warrick

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