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Rocky Mountain Power is preparing to build a new high-voltage power corridor through our area. This isn't a typical line of power poles. These are 150-foot high, 40-foot wide structures. The route Rocky Mountain Power has planned for their new 345kV power line will have a devastating impact on our community. Tremonton isn't a large city, crowded around a lake with no other room for power-lines to be built - this is a rural community in a large county with many unpopulated areas. **Why does Rocky Mountain Power have to choose the HEART of our valley to put their power corridor through?**

The route Rocky Mountain Power wants will destroy the scenic grandeur of this valley. It will economically damage Tremonton's new industrial park, along with homes and buildings of our neighbors.

Recently a change in route was made which puts high-voltage lines running right over and through our neighborhood. The new change will completely take out our neighbor's house! And his home is not the only one that will happen to. We have heard of 11 other homes that will be obliterated.

Why has Box Elder County been singled out in Utah to create new corridors? In Weber, Davis and Salt Lake Counties, Rocky Mountain Power is following their existing utility corridors. Corridors for power lines already exist in Box Elder County and they should be used. New corridors should not be created through populated areas just to make it more convenient for Rocky Mountain Power.

Please lend your support to the U&I Concerned Citizens Group and the local Council of Governments. They have proposed two other routes that would be less disruptive to people's lives. We need to get this routing changed so it will cause the least negative impact on Box Elder County.

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We need your help!

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Do you realize that people in the Bear River Valley of Box Elder County are going to **LOSE THEIR HOMES** because of the route Rocky Mountain Power has planned for their new power line?

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With all the vast, unpopulated areas of Box Elder County that exist, **WHY** has Rocky Mountain Power decided to build their high-voltage power lines through the heart of our valley?

I protest this! I realize that utilities corridors have to exist to support our communities, but they don't have to be driven rough-shod over people's lives to accomplish that purpose.

I also protest Rocky Mountain Power's disregard for the rights of individuals. I protest their covering up the truth when they meet with landowners, their unwillingness to inconvenience themselves, and their sending cardboard representatives out to meet with these people. I say "cardboard" because the representatives they send have no power to make any changes, and even cannot explain the reasons why the power company has made their decisions. When we called and asked to speak to someone with authority, they refused to let us talk to anyone else.

Our neighbors, Charlie and Lisa Smith were told *just this week* that their home will be **REMOVED** to make way for the power line; they protested. The representative who came out to negotiate with them told them that *their home and one other* were the only two homes to be obliterated by the new route - which isn't true. We have heard of at least 11 others.

There is room for the power line corridor to run east or west of the city of Tremonton. The only reason we can see why Rocky Mountain Power decided to run through the populace was because of convenience for themselves - roads already built for access. That is NOT a good reason!

Please take a serious look at the routing options suggested by the U&I Concerned Citizens and the local Council of Governments. Power companies should exist to support and provide for the populace - not for their own convenience.

Sincerely,

Yvonne R. Ashby

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Rocky Mountain Power is not treating Tremonton nor the rest of Box Elder County fairly. Yes, power lines need to be built, but not in areas that destroy people's homes and industry.

"Convenience" for Rocky Mountain Power should not be put ahead of what is right.

Please listen to the people of our Valley. Don't let Rocky Mountain Power run rough-shod over our homes.

Existing utility corridors are available. They should be used.

Sincerely,

Yvonne R. Ashley

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