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Re: RMP v Wasatch County: Note from Future Black Rock Ridge resident and current resident of Park City

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To Whom It May Concern:

As a current resident of Park City and future resident of Black Rock Ridge in Wasatch County, I felt it was important to voice my concerns regarding the movement of power lines which will impact the residents in the area.

The relocation does not sound practical and can be viewed as a case of an investment group colluding with the power company to negatively impact Utah residents. The utility line in question crosses a portion of the Promontory's Property which has been in the current location since 1916 (100 years) but Promontory Development, LLC and Promontory Investments, LLC want it moved for profit.

Here's some information:

- Rocky Mountain Power states in their 2010 Summit and Wasatch Plan that they prefer keeping it in the existing location. The only thing that changed were the interests of a development group.
- As Rocky Mountain Power upgrades the power lines to support Park City, this will have a negative impact on Promontory's future development plan. However, power lines are already there. This is similar to a person buying a turkey sandwich and complaining that there is turkey in the sandwich.
- RMP and Promontory came to an agreement that it makes sense to move the lines to a new easement. In fact, Promontory Investments would pay \$275,000 to move the line. I assume that moving the line and adding 1 mile of poles and line costs much more.
- The move is less efficient. RMP is increasing the length of the power line by 1 mile. Existing length 1.4 miles with 20 polls to 2.4 miles and 35 polls.
- The new high voltage lines would be moved to the existing Black Rock Ridge community impacting current and future residents. Where it stands, the current line is in an undeveloped area.

- Wasatch Fire Marshal, Clint Neering, says that the "relocation of the transmission lines constitutes a distinct danger to the surrounding homes and therefore requests that the transmission lines be maintained in the existing easement."

Other options do not seem to have been explored. The lines could be buried or they could be upgraded from the current location. This is a case of the rights of land developers superseding the rights of the community.

Please reconsider.

Thanks,
Justin Lew