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**Sent:** Monday, March 16, 2015 6:38 AM  
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**Subject:** New Communication: Dear BLM Gentlepeople: Hello, my name is Gary Pearson. I have been involved with this B2H matter as it pertains to Malheur County for over 6 years now, and have attended all of the

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Dear BLM Gentlepeople:

Hello, my name is Gary Pearson. I have been involved with this B2H matter as it pertains to Malheur County for over 6 years now, and have attended all of the local meetings sponsored by the BLM, ODOE, and Idaho Power. I have testified at hearings in Salem, have attended numerous Idaho Power Integrated Resource planning meetings, and was a member of the Malheur County Citizen Advisory Panel sponsored by Idaho Power (after a huge citizen backlash to their original planned route and accompanying substation right in the heart of one of the most fertile ribbons of farmland in the State of Oregon).

My mission, indeed the mission of the majority of Malheur County citizens was to get the subject 500KV line off of EFU zoned farm land and re-route it to the West and North in what is mostly public range land. We were also mindful of the need to protect our historical landmarks and view sheds.

I do believe that the current BLM Preferred Alternative has for the most part represented a good faith effort to follow the wishes of the citizens of Malheur County and route this line away from EFU ground. I still would prefer that the Brogan area segment be routed North of Brogan and angle East and North to Baker County. This would allow for all of the EFU land in Malheur County to be avoided. However, with the Sage Hen preservation becoming such a national issue, the BLM Tub Mountain preferred alternative is probably the best that I and most citizens of Malheur County can ask for at this time.

So, lets get the proposed BLM route approved and get this thing built before some other issues arise that might prompt Idaho Power to again suggest building this project in our backyards.

Thank you,

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