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Hi. I would like to submit the following public comment to the commissioners for their meeting next Monday via email, as I will not be able to attend in person.

I support the moratorium on further electricity going to crptomining operations in the county. I would also support it being made permanent. The cryptomining does not appear to create a meaningful number of jobs. Jobs created per MW of energy used would be an interesting metric for assessing what high load applicants should get preference for power. My main concern however, is the inherent design of the cryptomining system. As I understand it, the algorithms become increasing complex, and with that, the amount of power needed to "mine" increases exponentially. This is the most ridiculous use of the premier renewable hydropower resource in the country that I can think of. The PUD has done an outstanding job promoting conservation for decades. To provide power to an enterprise that is diametrically opposed to conservation is completely inappropriate for our PUD in my opinion.

I appreciate the decision of the commissioners to put the moratorium in place, and encourage you to make permanent restrictions on power going to cryptomining. Instead, dedicate power to enterprises that create local jobs, and to replacing fossil fuels by electrifying the private transportation (cars) in the county.

Respectfully,
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