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Chelan County PUD

Hi, Andy!

I will be out of town for the May 14 meeting regarding bitcoin mining and hope my comments can be considered.

I strongly encourage the PUD to strongly discourage bitcoin mining and other big drains on our power that provide very few long term jobs. All the talk about how this will make Chelan County the center of block chain technology is just so much B.S.. All they want is our power. When they talk about jobs, ask them how many on-going jobs there will be after construction and set-up, per kilowatt hour. I know Alcoa used a lot of power, but there were a lot of good paying jobs associated with the use of that power. Those base jobs led to a lot of support jobs, and a lot of people paying sales tax and property taxes. This is just not going to happen with bitcoin mining, or any other use of PUD power to run computers.

I don't know how to make them go away. You probably have some good ideas already on how to do it.

They are only after our cheap power. Please don't let them have it. There are too few associated benefits to your customer owners.

Thanks for your consideration.



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