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Subject: Maiden Wind Farm, comment on DEIS

We are pleased to note that the concerns of the University of Washington, the University of California Irvine, and Battelle Pacific Northwest National Laboratories regarding the possible seriously detrimental impact of the proposed Maiden Project on research funded by the National Science Foundation and being carried out at the Battelle Gravitation Physics Laboratory have been acknowledged in the DEIS.

To avoid confusion in subsequent discussions and correspondence, we would ask that you correct the EIS to correctly record the official name of our facility on the Hanford site at each reference to the Battelle Gravitation Physics Laboratory (BGPL).

We have not electronically searched the DEIS document, but have found the following occurrences of the incorrect reference "Battelle Gravitation Research Observatory (BGRO)" which should be changed to read "Battelle Gravitation Physics Laboratory (BGPL)":

1) Table S-1 (pages S-7 and S-8)

2) Text on pages 3-5. [Where you should also note that the BGPL is 6 miles east of the Maiden Project site, not northeast; and that it is located in a former "NIKE" missile bunker, not "NIKI".]

3) Text on page 3-7

Thank you in advance for correcting these errors. -Paul Boynton

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From: Doug Packard [dc-pack@worldnet.att.net]
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I am opposed to the wind machine project on Rattlesnake Mountain. I have recently driven the I-5 corridor through California and witnessed the incredible visual blight of the three major wind machine projects (Palm Springs area, Tahatchipie(sp) Pass, & the Altamont Pass) on that route. The effect is dominating and overwhelming ugly. The fact that Govt. subsidies are awarded to the developers for these projects makes their presence all the more repugnant.

The Tri-City area is all ready a financial victim of misguided Govt. benevolence in the form of the WPPS fiasco, why double the negative effect by creating new victims of a visual blight as well.

I have driven through the Altamont twice in the last four years and in both cases over half of the units were not rotating, apparently because It is not economical to maintain or repair some of the older units. Is that what we will face here as well?

Rattlesnake Mountain will make a very large white elephant indeed.

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