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I am against this project. If the quartz rock is coming in from Canada, build the smelter in Canada. The number of employees after the smelter is completed is of little consequence when you compare it to the environmental damage to the people who have invested their money to live in a rural area, along a beautiful river, and then find out they are going to live next to a fume belching smelter. When I moved to Pend Oreille County about 21 years ago, the electric rate was \$.025 per KW. It is much higher now. What will we be paying when they get their chunk out of the PUD supply? I would say we don't need them in our county.