BILL COOKE

I LIVE IN PEND OREILLE COUNTY JUST A FEW MILES SOUTH OF THE PROPOSED SMELTER. MY CONCERN IS THE AMOUNT OF AIR CONTAMINATION WE CAN EXPECT FROM SUCH A PROCESS. "MINIMAL AMOUNTS" MEAN ONE THING TO THE OWNER OF THE SMELTER. IT HAS A WHOLE DIFFERENT MEANING TO THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE HERE. WE KNOW BEFOREHAND THAT IT IS GOING TO ADD POLLUTION TO OUR ALREADY SMOKEY AIR. ANY AMOUNT THEY ADD MEANS MORE THAN WE HAVE NOW. HOW MUCH IS ENOUGH? I HAVE CONCERNS FOR THE SHORT AND LONG TERM EFFECTS THEIR ADDED POLLUTION WILL HAVE ON THE HEALTH OF THE POPULACE. UNLESS AND UNTIL WE HAVE THE RIGHT ANSWERS, NOT ONES DESIRED BY THE PROPONENTS OF THIS ENTERPRISE, I WILL HAVE TO GO ON RECORD OPPOSING THE SMELTER.

ONE QUESTION: HOW MANY OF THE FOLKS WHO WILL MAKE THE YAY OR NAY DECISION LIVE WITHIN 50 MILES OF THE PROPOSED SMELTER? THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS MY CONCERNS. BILL COOKE