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My name is Anne-Marie Nedelec and I am an environmentalist who has lived in Kelowna BC most of my life. I want Site C dam closed down for good for the sake of the people, the wild animals, the fish, the water, the air and the earth. This project should have never been allowed to commence. There is no good time to build it and it will never had a budget that is beneficial for the community. A quack- clack anti-union was allowed to break all the environmental laws in the devastation done so far , but thanks to people like me we now have a new government who is willing to reconsider the project and admit to the insanity of building another dam in the Peace Valley. This Valley must be preserved for the wild animals, fish,berries and for the growing of food for the people who live in the North. It is a paradisaical gift for Northerners, who otherwise do not have a climate that is supportive of agriculture. We all must recognize the treasure that the Liberal government has threatened to destroy. This present government does have the opportunity to save this precious gift of Nature and instead pursue alternative energy's such as wind power, solar power, tidal power, Geo-thermal energy and power reduction and conservation legislation. Thank you to this Utilities Commission for finally looking into the situation deeper and trying to save the Peace -literally !

The calculations for ratepayers is skewed. We the public through our energy bills and taxation will always foot the bill for these mega projects because the system is set up that way-and BC Hydro as a company with all it's over paid management and security will make certain that the losses do not effect them personally. The financial losses will be endured by the " little guys" and worse yet the environmental disaster will hit those who least deserve it the hardest ,as well as any future generations (if we should be so lucky to have those generations exist -with this unhealthy direction we are now headed in).

The cost to the "rate payers" for the suspension of this project would be Priceless ! We can not recreate what would be lost is this Mega dam is allowed to proceed and we would loss the potential for create Billions and Billions dollars worth of healthy ,necessities of life. The measurements used to see if a mega project is beneficial is all too often flawed and false . There is often no value placed on Natural Capital and ecosystem services. The Peace River Valley contains of the best agricultural land in Northern BC, capable of growing food sufficient for at least a million people. The submission from David Suzuki estimates the value of the ecosystem services (such as food production) ecological services provided by farmland and from nature in the Peace River Watershed are conservatively worth an estimated \$7.9 billion to \$8.6 billion a year (through the cumulative contribution of services such as clean water supply, air filtration, flood and erosion control, habitat for wildlife .fish ,berries and agricultural pollinators, carbon storage and historical knowledge of living with Nature when Nature is under attack and in the state of crisis.) The value of all these contributions only increases as we are experiencing the floods, droughts ,wind storms, earthquakes,hurricanes and fires of the increasing climate crisis. It is time for our governments to change not only their way of thinking , but more importantly their actions, legislation and investments. With legislated conservation we here in BC can get all the energy we need in an affordable manner through a portfolio of demand-side, public management, wind,passive and non- passive solar ,tidal and geothermal energies .

There is no alternative but to terminate this Site C mega dam project and create agriculture from the mulched forests and use the huge workers housing that we the public paid for as an educational facility and housing for local agricultural workers who can be employed by this government to grow food and re-establish the abundant wildlife of that Valley .In all honesty if this dam was only built to accommodate the energy needs (not greed's) of this provinces people -it never would have even been

considered. We all know it is not needed -it was being built for other energy users such as Fracking and US bottomless pit exports that are always guaranteed to be huge financial losses to the bullied of BC. Need we again look at our lumber losses with that unfair trading partner to learn the needed lessons of how to be fair to our own peoples, our First Nations who have title to all this land and its resources and to the Nature that sustains us. Even if we look at Treaty 8 as a fair agreement-which is arguable at best we would be violating that Treaty by letting the construction of Site C dam continue. The liberal government were not in the least bit interested in being fair and honest in their dealings . That is why they are gone and this new co-operative government-who cares about both the environment and the workers is in power.

It certainly is not too late for this project to be stopped-redirected into an environmentally sound -agricultural project that will inspire the world with its ground breaking organic focus and explore energy alternatives that the First Nations Peoples support. Keeping their waters clean for drinking for all creatures is their priority and we must learn from them how that must come first and foremost always . Only with that lifestyle will we be able to survive the treat of climate crisis or at least survive longer. Floods, Hail storms. droughts, freak weather patterns , loss of pollinators, Increase on Pests and mildew plus fires and smoke are on the increase. Let's change our "footsteps" on this planet and help slow down the crisis . \$20 million dollars from the provincial and federal governments given to ranchers and rural communities is one example of an unforeseen cost that these unfriendly to the environment mega projects contribute to causing. Man- made deforestation ,flooding and Fracking are known to cause havoc with Mother Nature. We can argue that reality ,as BC HYDRO has continued to do-but try and get those CEOs to eat the mercury laden fish or drink the dam water or live by these mega-monster projects with all the social,economic and environmental devastation they cause and they will run in the other direction. It is an undesirable situation they are approving-as long as it is NIMBY .

I wish for people to have local healthy jobs to work at and not to get used by CLACKS who are known for not caring at all for their workers and only representing the financial "gains" of management. Anti-unions like CLACK need to be shut down ,now that we have a more just government. So many things about this Site C dam are completely criminal-including changing the laws to allow an anti-union fake christian group pretend to be there on behalf of the workers when they are really against justice and the rights of the workers.

All this and more are sound reasons to terminate this Damned Dam for good and work in a Healthy direction with the support ,wisdom and blessing of our First Nations Peoples. Terminating Site C and instead building a renewable portfolio of tidal , wind, passive plus non-passive solar and geothermal energy would save BC ratepayers Billions of dollars and more if one counts the disaster insurance and government payouts given out to those suffering from up coming climate crisis storms and situations . Instead let us work together to avoid more crisis. Instead of borrowing the big bucks for this Site C disaster let's put our resources into building affordable housing , hospitals, urban and rural gardens and agricultural projects and schools for healthy learning and eco.- friendly practices. We can do better then we have and with this combination in BC governance I for one am certain that we will do better.

In conclusion I will re-state this Mega Site C project does not create clean energy-in fact it creates the opposite. BC needs to focus on Healthy Organic Food production , by saving the PEACE river Valley for Wildlife and Food production-so let's ban Trophy Hunting while we are at it and send off that thoughtless past government and their thoughtless mega money polluting project that puts debt/death on the people of BC far into the questionable future. Now, did I clearly mention how deeply I disdain this Dam and those who carelessly engineered it?? Thank-you for hearing my concerned opinion.