letters to the editor

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Wants proof power line isn't for export

I would like to comment on the letter to the editor from Greg Retzer, Alberta Electric System Operator's director of Project Delivery North Transmission ("Heartland line is not for electricity export," Dec. 10 News).

He states that these power lines are needed for Alberta only and that this power is not intended to be sent to the United Sates.

Strathcona MLA Dave Quest seems to think this transmission line is needed for Alberta as well ("Heartland line role in Alberta," Dec. 10 News).

I would like to ask all residents of Alberta to please send a letter to Premier Ed Stelmach, Greg Retzer, Dave Quest and our energy minister Ronald Liepert and ask each one of them to sign an official document in front of the public that they will never use this power to

support the United States.

If these people are being honest in what they have told us, they should not have any problems giving us what we want: the truth.

I say this because I am originally from British Columbia, which has supplied California their power for years. They were never paid completely for the power because California could not pay for it. This will happen here in Alberta as well and the costs that are not paid by the U.S. will be picked up by the citizens of Alberta. I hope people listen to this because this is our children's future debt.

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