

## Let's buy up our own power

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Re: "Keep AltaLink Canadian, ATCO chief says," May 9

Alberta is making a fatal mistake by allowing the sale of AltaLink to a large U.S. conglomerate eagerly sucking up resources - oil, gas, electricity.

Albertans have a chance to stop this by writing their MLA - you know, the nice Conservatives who just apologized for running amok and ignoring what the public really wants.

Those same Tories deregulated the electricity sector in the Ralph Klein era, obviously paving the way for this to happen. Remember that Wildrose members were a part of this decision, too. A few individuals spoke out against building three transmission power lines (north-south, possibly to sell our power to the U.S.?). The poor and the rich, schools and businesses, too, are all paying for that every day.

Tired of forking out your wages yet again to "free" enterprise? Tired of having no input into decisions that affect you? Tired of paying world prices for Alberta oil and gas, much of it owned by the U.S.? Now are you willing to sell your power companies to the States, too? Let's buy up our own power and profit from it ourselves. Contact your politicians; big business is bamboozling us.

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