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I have objections to the proposal by the Premium Energy Holdings of California to build a hydroelectric power plant at the Ashokan Reservoir in the town of Olive Branch, New York.

The location is in a New York State protected forest. There are many species of animals and birds that would be endangered by such a massive upheaval to the environment. In addition, there is a rare orchid, the Three Birds Orchid, *Triphora trianthophora* whose environment would be totally destroyed by this project.

The open loop system proposed by this project would discharge turbidity into the Ashokan Reservoir, which is a major source of New York City drinking water.

There is no city without clean water and this water is some of the best. I know, I grew up in New York City. The economic impact of poor water would not only effect the economy of the New York City, but the economy in upstate New York and beyond.

I know that the country must go to greener energy sources for the future, but this project is too destructive. I urge you to recommend that this Premium Energy's project be rejected.

There has to be a better way.

Thank you,

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