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1 Warren, Jim Andresen and Walt Keeney. And  
2 with that, Everett, we are to you.

3 EVERETT AYU: Thank you. I just  
4 wanted to say that -- don't allow Metro to  
5 come in this new transportation system. I  
6 want you to notice that Washington has a  
7 pretty good transportation system. And if  
8 you go over to Oregon, it's horrid over  
9 there and it's all because Metro has not  
10 done a damn thing in the last 20 years.

11 They have mismanaged the money on  
12 light rail. It costs four times more to  
13 put in one mile of light rail than it cost  
14 to put in one mile of highway. It  
15 doesn't matter how many times we vote it  
16 down, vote it down, vote it down, they  
17 want to keep cramming it down our throats.

18 And I was wondering how they get the  
19 authorization. I say that if it's that  
20 big of an issue, let's put it to the vote,  
21 let's put it on the ballot and let's the  
22 citizens decide.

23 You are talking about putting a \$2.50  
24 per trip each direction toll on the  
25 bridge. Okay. That's five dollars a day.



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1 There is five days in a week. That's five  
2 dollars a day. That is five days in a  
3 week. That is \$25 a week. There is 50  
4 weeks -- 52 weeks, but 50 weeks in a  
5 year. That's \$1250 per automobile that  
6 has to travel back and forth. That's  
7 almost a month's wage for a lot of people  
8 after tax income.

9 Your estimates in the Oregonian said  
10 that 37 percent of people that travel  
11 across the bridge are going to be  
12 traveling on public transportation. Well,  
13 there is a lot of people that come down  
14 from Canada, Seattle, Longview or wherever  
15 they come from and they go straight  
16 through the Portland area.

17 That means 50 percent of the people  
18 that live in the Vancouver area have to  
19 take light rail in order to meet that  
20 37 percent number. This is totally  
21 ridiculous. Everybody points the fingers  
22 and says that the other guy is going to  
23 ride light rail or public transportation.  
24 It's not going to happen.

25 Okay. And then -- okay. Yeah, yeah.

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1 Okay. That's about all I had. Thank you.

2 HAL Dengerink: Okay. Thank you.

3 Pauline.

4 PAULINE WARREN: Yes, I am Pauline

5 Warren. I am at 6800 Northeast 58th

6 Street here in Vancouver and I have

7 attended a few of your meetings and been

8 on the internet last night on your

9 technical reports. I find them -- I have

10 had a lot of trouble getting on your

11 environment report because I could only

12 pull up one page at a time to print and I

13 couldn't access some things. I've got to

14 find out how to do that better.

15 But my -- I am for a third bridge

16 versus the replacement bridge or the

17 supplemental bridge. I do believe that

18 the bridge that we have is not really the

19 root of the problem with congestion.

20 Now I do not know that there is some

21 accidents in the on and off ramps that

22 probably really need some work. But I

23 think Portland and the lack of lanes that

24 they have going through is -- and

25 obviously the Delta Park has been a

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