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1 HAL DENGERINK: Thank you, Karen.
2 Okay. With that, we are going to do a
3 change out here. Jerry Oliver, Carl
4 Katimus and Plinio Crow. And with that,
5 we'll go to John.

6 JOHN WALLUM: Thank you. I am a
7 resident and I live on 19th and D Street
8 and I happen to work on Main Street as
9 well. I kind of refer to it as ground
10 zero with this project because of its
11 impacts and what is going to happen to my
12 neighborhood and potentially the business
13 I work for.

14 I see personally nothing positive for
15 me out of this deal. I see our heart of
16 Main Street basically cut in half. We
17 were bringing -- we were deciding again to
18 put I-5 through Vancouver.

19 (Inaudible) planner that the City of
20 Vancouver had in here earlier this year
21 talked about mending the wound of I-5 and
22 the division it put in the city and I
23 think we are about to make a decision
24 again that -- again, that divides our
25 city, but with this time light rail



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1 tracks. I don't think it brings the city
2 together.
3 The cost -- I mean, people wonder why
4 this thing is being pushed forward. This
5 is all about money. This is money for
6 developers. This is money for
7 construction workers. This is money for
8 everybody but the people that actually
9 have to use it.
10 The subsidies that have to actually
11 operate the system are so large that -- I
12 mean, I would be surprised if one percent
13 of the cost was actually carried by the
14 rider on a light rail system. It just
15 doesn't make sense.
16 Thank you.
17 HAL DINGERINK: Thank you, John.
18 Daniel.
19 DANIEL SWINK: My name is Daniel
20 Swink, mailing address P.O. Box 61884,
21 Vancouver, Washington.
22 I'm also an income taxpayer of Oregon
23 as well as a resident of Vancouver and I
24 grew up around seeing a lot of -- well,
25 Washington transportation projects

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