

# INVERSE CONDEMNATION



I HEAR THE UTILITY MIGHT GO BANKRUPT FROM ALL THE LAWSUITS OVER LAST YEAR'S WILDFIRES.

I'VE HEARD THAT TOO, BUT I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY...

WITH CALIFORNIA'S "INVERSE CONDEMNATION" LAW, A UTILITY CAN BE FOUND LIABLE IF ANY OF THEIR EQUIPMENT WAS INVOLVED--AND THE COMPANY COULD BE ON THE HOOK FOR BILLIONS.

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THAT COULD MEAN BANKRUPTCY FOR THE UTILITY--AND BAD NEWS FOR US.

IN A BANKRUPTCY, A JUDGE CAN ALLOW STRONG CHANGES TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS--SO THEY COULD SLASH OUR PAY, GUT OUR RETIREMENT, AND WHO KNOWS WHAT ELSE.

WHEN A COMPANY GOES BANKRUPT, IT'S THE WORKERS WHO LOSE THE MOST.

THE UNION HAS FOUGHT FOR DECADES TO GET US THE WAGES AND BENEFITS WE DESERVE, AND BANKRUPTCY COULD PUT US BACK TO SQUARE ONE.

WELL, MY FAMILY LOST EVERYTHING IN THE FIRE-- AND I DO THINK THE COMPANY SHOULD PAY

I GET THAT. BUT WILL INVERSE CONDEMNATION REALLY PREVENT MORE DISASTERS? I DON'T SEE HOW.

THE BEST THING WE CAN DO RIGHT NOW IS WORK FOR REFORM IN THE LEGISLATURE, AND THEN FOCUS ON HARDENING OUR ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE.

RIGHT. THAT'S WHAT THE UNION HAS BEEN FOCUSING ON, SO WHEN THE NEXT EXTREME WEATHER EVENT HAPPENS--AND IT WILL--THE EFFECTS WON'T BE SO DEVASTATING.

THE CLIMATE IS CHANGING.

IF WE CAN HELP PREVENT OTHERS FROM GOING THROUGH WHAT MY FAMILY DID, I'M ALL FOR IT.

TRUE. WE SHOULD BE DOING THE WORK TO BUILD A MORE RESILIENT INFRASTRUCTURE--BUT THAT WON'T HAPPEN IF THE COMPANY'S BANKRUPT.

WE ALL NEED TO WORK TOGETHER TO ENHANCE THE RESILIENCY OF OUR ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE AND PROTECT OUR COMMUNITIES.