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RE: Smart Meters in Tucson

Dear Commissioners,

As you may know, the Smart Meter battle has now started here in Arizona. For me, it started quite a while ago. I live in Tucson, AZ. I currently live in Tucson, AZ. We are desperately needing an opt out program in Arizona. We need it ASAP. The American Academy of Environmental Physicians is calling a ban on these meters in California. California and Maine have passed opt out programs so that analog meters can be restored immediately. There is also an issue with apartments and duplexes where an opt out would do people no good. I never had electrical sensitivity until I was exposed to a smart meter. I passed out and vomited constantly. When I am around the meters it is instant. The current living situation with me is that our electricity is included. I will have to move and try to find a home with no meter. Once meters come to this 19 unit horse ranch, it will be a nightmare. The owner to my property is 85 and is not aware of these meters or their affects nor does he want to here. It is imperative that no more new meters come to this property until a formal opt out program is in place. This is an alternative type of living and the residents here live very simply. The current owner of property likes the analog meters and does not care one way or another.

There are numerous lawsuits in the works and many have been filed throughout the country. This situation will do nothing but get worse. Millions all over the country are making it their job to get these meters completely gone. Power companies have to work with the people so that everyone is happy. I am sure you have done your research but I am attaching just a few documents but the research and the proof is endless. You cannot fight this. The FCC regulations are too old and this technology is too new. This makes the FCC guidelines pointless. Some people will not have problems but many will. Many will not be able to connect what it is. I am begging you to pass an reasonable opt out program with no charge right away. The opt out in California and Maine is already being challenged because there is a fee. Eventually that fee will be overturned. As time goes on, Arizona and the power companies will be getting more and more slack. I hope that your reputation does not get dragged in the mudd like the companies in California and the CPUC. I will help you in any way that I can.

Thank you for your time

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The Board of the American Academy of Environmental Medicine also wishes to note that the US NIEHS National Toxicology Program in 1999 cited radiofrequency radiation as a potential carcinogen. Existing safety limits for pulsed RF were termed "not protective of public health" by the Radiofrequency Interagency Working Group (a federal interagency working group including the FDA, FCC, OSHA, the EPA and others). Emissions given off by "smart meters" have been *classified by the World Health Organization International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) as a Possible Human Carcinogen.*

Hence, we call for:

- An immediate moratorium on "smart meter" installation until these serious public health issues are resolved. Continuing with their installation would be extremely irresponsible.
- Modify the revised proposed decision to include hearings on health impact in the second proceedings, along with cost evaluation and community wide opt-out.
- Provide immediate relief to those requesting it and restore the analog meters.

Members of the Board
American Academy of Environmental Medicine

Antonio Gill

From: michamer@msn.com on behalf of Michele Hamer [classiccars.guide@about.com]
Sent: Monday, February 06, 2012 10:47 AM
To: Newman-Web; Burns-Web; Pierce-Web; Stump-Web; Kennedy-Web
Subject: Smart Meters

I am contacting you today regarding a smart meter that was put on my home from APS in late September 2011, and the sudden onset of serious illnesses my household has occurred since it's installation. We have no evidence that one caused the other, but we are having it removed immediately just in case.

I understand that the goal is for all of Arizona to have smart meters installed and there is an alternative being considered for those who wish not to have one. Here is our reasons for not having one that I hope you take our situation into consideration before making a decision for these alternatives.

My husband and I came down with a bad cold in October (like most everyone we know) and to date, the cough has not gone away. Then December 27th I was rushed to the hospital for stroke like symptoms...blurred vision, slurred speech and memory loss of 40 minutes. I was referred to a Neurologist, but before my appointment the symptoms re-occured on Dec 29th with 4 hours of memory loss and was kept in the hospital for 3 days; still with no known cause.

Now I'm going through more testing at Mayo Clinic under the care of a Neurologist, Cardiologist and Endocrinologist; still without no diagnosis for why I keep having pressure on the right side of my head with transient episodes. The good news is that I have passed all my tests and considered to be in excellent health otherwise.

My husband who travels quite frequently, has only been plagued by this still nagging cough.

Last Thursday, my otherwise healthy 5 year old Corgi was diagnosed with malignant lymphoma and if he is strong enough, will start a 25 week program of Chemotherapy. Are these sudden illnesses a coincidence or is there an environmental factor involved, we can't say. Although while doing a web search for people with like symptoms and no known cause, we did come across a significant amount of households who began having medial issues after the smart meter was installed. This led to our request for its removal.

I would be more than willing to submit any or all of my and my dogs medical files for your review and can update you if my symptoms disappear along with the smart meter. If you have any other questions, feel free to contact me at 928-237-7323.

Thank you for your consideration.

Michele Hamer
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January 27, 2012

Ms. Rita Field
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Prescott, Arizona 86303

RE: Your Letter of January 21, 2012

Dear Ms. Field:

Thank you for contacting the Leasing Committee about your concerns with Smart Meters. It is always more productive to air grievances, rather than to remain silent and unhappy, so we very much appreciate you writing us.

We have contacted Arizona Public Service and they have agreed to remove your Smart Meter. If you have concerns with these devices, I encourage you to contact APS Customer Service at (800) 253-9405.

Thanks again for writing.

Sincerely,

Kay-Kay Realty Corp., Managing Agent

D. Kotin

D. Kotin, Chairman
Leasing Committee

cc: Canyon Run, LG, JH

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From: Rita Field [fieldrita@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 09, 2012 5:21 AM
To: kennedy-web@azc.gov; Pierce-Web; Newman-Web; Burns-Web; Stump-Web
Subject: Smart Meters are Hurting Me
Attachments: D Kotin Remove SM.pdf; U.S. and International :: Citizens for Safe Technology

Hello Kennedy,

I live at Canyon Run Senior Village Apts.

Since the installation of 84 Smart Meters to the building, I have a high pitched electrical humming in my ears. It is 24/7. It is causing me migraine headaches, and insomnia.

Only the person whose name appears on the APS account can have the Smart Meters Removed. That is not David Kotin, and I do not know how to obtain that information.

Please contact the person/persons on the APS account and have them call to have all of the meters, On Canyon Run Senior Village , changed back to the safe analog meters.

My health, and the health of all the residents at Canyon Run Senior Village Apts, are in danger. We need some help here, Immediately Urgent.

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From: Nancy Baer [redrockclass@msn.com]
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2012 6:02 PM
To: Burns-Web; Kennedy-Web; Newman-Web; Pierce-Web; Stump-Web; 'Representative Fann'; 'Representative Pierce'; 'Representative Tobin'; 'Yavapai County Commissioner District 1'; 'Yavapai County Commissioner District 3'; 'Yavapai County District 2 Commissioner'
Cc: 'Councilor Barbara Litrell'; 'Councilor Dan McIlroy'; 'Councilor Dennis Rayner'; 'Councilor Mark DiNunzio'; 'Councilor Mike Ward'; 'Mayor Rob Adams'; 'Vice Mayor Cliff Hamilton'
Subject: AZ CC Docket No. 11-0328 SOUND SAMPLES OF MANY DIFFERENT FREQUENCIES - EMF - HAARP - RADAR, etc.

"Each electromagnetic source has its own characteristic sound, which is demodulated by broadband-meters to allow evaluating the source from the sound. Although GSM-900 and GSM-1800 can't be differentiated by their sound as it is the same. Other sources are easily detectable, here are a couple of examples. If you'd like to listen to some other source, [please contact us.](#)"

<http://microondes.wordpress.com/emf-sounds/>

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From: Nancy Baer [redrockclass@msn.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2012 7:36 PM
To: Burns-Web; Kennedy-Web; Newman-Web; Pierce-Web; Stump-Web; 'Representative Fann'; 'Representative Pierce'; 'Representative Tobin'; 'Yavapai County Commissioner District 1'; 'Yavapai County Commissioner District 3'; 'Yavapai County District 2 Commissioner'
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Subject: Electromagnetic Fields featuring Dr. Ted Litovitz

Dr. Litovitz served as a Catholic University physics professor and prolific inventor who discovered a way to store nuclear waste more safely, created an electronic chip to shield cellphone users from harmful electromagnetic radiation and developed some of the early fiber optics now used for telecommunications. Watch the video of his presentation to Congressional members about 10 years ago by The Council on Wireless Technology Impacts. Edited by Ed Ellsworth. DVD available from Enlightened Films.

I am sending two urls in case one cannot be accessed. Dr. Litovitz gives a very straightforward explanation about frequencies and the various effects resulting from exposure.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MCe0rqyBcw&feature=colike>

<http://www.thermoguy.com/emfeducation.html>

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More about Dr. Litovitz's qualifications excerpted from his obituary:

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2006/05/05/AR2006050501777.html>

" . . . His most recent work centered on the effects of electromagnetic radiation on organisms. The field had been characterized by controversy and inconclusive findings when Dr. Litovitz noticed a Swedish researcher's tantalizing report of increased incidences of brain cancer in people who used cellphones for more than 2,000 hours. The cancer also seemed to occur on the side of the face where the phone was held.

Dr. Litovitz began experimenting with eggs, said Macedo, who is director of the Catholic University lab. He discovered that the type of electromagnetic radiation emitted from cellphones or power lines can cause biological changes at the cellular level. That radiation, he found, could be masked by superimposing electrical white noise. So he developed and patented an electronic chip that could be attached to cellphones and override the radiation.

His research, published in the Journal of Cellular Biology in 2002, caused a stir among cellphone users torn between the emerging science and reassurances from phone companies. Dr. Litovitz, however, did not hesitate to stake out a position.

"These findings have important implications with regards to potential health effects from prolonged or repeated exposure to mobile-phone radiation," he told a trade journal, RCR Wireless News. "Because stress proteins are involved in the progression of a number of diseases, heavy daily cell-phone usage could lead to great incidence of disorders such as Alzheimer's and cancer."

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From: Elizabeth Kelley [lkelly_45@msn.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 21, 2012 1:32 PM
To: Electromagnetic Safety Alliance
Subject: Palo Alto, California Utility Rejects Smart Meters

From: glenchase@aol.com
Date: Tue, 21 Feb 2012 11:27:48 -0800
To: ca-emf-safety-coalition@lists.sonic.net
Subject: [CaEMF] Palo Alto Utility Rejects Smart Meters

<http://palosalto.patch.com/articles/no-smart-meters-for-palo-alto-before-2015>

PG&E has been installing smart meters for 3 years with many complaints about increased electric costs and health issues. Palo Alto has been studying smart meters since 2009 and believes they aren't cost effective and offer few benefits now.

Utilities staff, the UAC and consultants have been reviewing the status of smart meters and their applicability for Palo Alto since 2009, and have concluded that it makes no economic or functional sense to install smart meters now. The feasibility will be studied further and by 2014 or 2015 costs and benefits may be better balanced and installation may be justified.

PG&E has been installing smart meters for more than three years and has gotten thousands of complaints about big increases electric bills and occasional complaints of health problems attributed to radiation from the smart meters. Their installation in Palo Alto is inadvisable now. Costs would exceed benefits, and electricity bill savings for customers would be minor, only 1% for residential and ½% for commercial.

Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI), or smart meters, allow remote meter reading and give customers and the utility data on current usage. This makes it easier to adjust electric usage to off-times when demand on the grid is less. Installing AMI in Palo Alto would cost \$16 million. Operating and maintaining the system over 20 years would bring costs up to \$29 million, but benefits would be just \$23 million. AMI requires greater customer involvement with the utility system so that they are more informed and can improve efficiency of electrical and water resources. Staff efforts would be needed to reach out to customers and show them how getting involved could reduce charges and improve performance. This would not be simple.

Distribution Automation (DA) allows more efficient system operation. Installation cost would be about \$3 million, but savings would only be \$2.7 million. Current system reliability is quite good. Installing DA would have a net cost and wouldn't significantly improve operations.

Costs and risks of AMI adoption in Palo Alto are declining, so in a few years the cost-benefit figures should be improved. Utilities staff and the UAC will continue to track and evaluate improvements and cost reductions in AMI and DA for 2 or 3 years. Meanwhile a number of programs could proceed:

- a) Developing a robust gas and water meter maintenance and replacement plan that considers changing meters to smart meters.
- b) Adjusting rates to encourage electric vehicle and other high electrical use applications to occur at off-peak hours.
- c) Implementing Demand Response for large commercial customers and evaluate performance.
- d) Provide incentives for large commercial customers to building management systems to be compatible with smart meters.
- e) Developing long term plans for Distribution System Automation.
- f) Analyzing potential energy conservation on the existing distribution grid.
- g) Reviewing and updating AMI backend software cost estimates.

Palo Alto's utility system is well regarded by customers, is relatively efficient and spends far less on customer complaints and outages than most other utilities. Moving slowly and carefully into smart meters is the best approach.

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