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To: Pierce-Web
Subject: Fwd: SMART METERS DOCKET 11-0328

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Dear Chairman Pierce,

I am sending you this information that I have found out about the forth coming Smart Meters.

I have been in touch with my friend in Las Vegas, NV. and have found out the following:

After 80% of the electric meters were changed to the new Smart Meters there was such a large amount of complaints that the state legislature put in an "opt out" provision, but now if you wanted your meter changed back it would cost you over a \$100 to have this done. The problems that he and others have with the new meters are that the lights will dim down as if the power is being reduced. This is not good for anything with a compressor ie. A/C, freezers & refrigerators as they must have a specified amount of current at all times or they will burn out along with certain big screen TVs. His fluorescent lights burn out very fast. He is a chief electrician for a Vegas casino/resort (also he has worked for several other top casinos over the last 25 plus years) and has done numerous tests on the wiring etc. in his home and can not resolve the issue as everything checks out good.

He has done everything possible to make his home energy efficient, he replaced all incandescent bulbs with LEDs, less than two years ago bought two new ground mount energy efficient A/C units, has a programmable thermostat set for 80 when he's not home and 74 when he is. This year he "SEALED OFF" one half of his house and "SHUT DOWN one A/C unit". He has lived in this house for over eighteen years and his highest electric bill was around \$330 until the new meter was installed and the July bill was over \$550! Also he lives alone and Vegas temp's this year were 8 to 12 degrees cooler than Phoenix.

The Smart Meters will send a signal EVERY 15 minutes to a satellite which in turn will send a signal down to the power companies computer. Why this signal is not sent only once a month is beyond me. There maybe some health issues involving the meters signal as brought up on a late night radio talk program "Coast To Coast" but as these meters are so new there is insufficient data available.

The city of Pittsburgh, PA. has forced the Duquesne Power Company to remove all the new Smart Meters and replace them with new digital meters at the power companies expense (we currently have disc analog meters) and they have been ordered not to use them again.

The state of California is also fighting (which is a surprise) not to have the Smart Meters put in along with the State of Maine.

I urge you to vote no and ban the Smart Meters or at least give us a choice at no extra or new costs from the power companies.

Sincerely,

Bernard Kensy
Phoenix, Az. (Since 1978)

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From: Diane Targovnik <dianetargovnik@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 14, 2012 9:53 PM
To: Pierce-Web; Newman-Web; Burns-Web; Stump-Web; Kennedy-Web
Subject: APS Smart Meters

As a former attorney for the ACC I am writing to inform you of my opposition to the placement of Smart Meters in residential houses and any fees associated with those who opt out. Some of us who choose to opt out do so because of concerns for our health. We do so because there is evidence that the radio frequency (RF) signals can be harmful.

The World Health Organization recently classified RF as a 2B carcinogen, same as DDT and lead. Military studies here and here show pulsed RF can cause serious health problems, including tinnitus, memory loss and seizures. Thousands of studies link biological effects to RF exposure. International experts warn against RF hazards associated with the smart meters.

In January of 2012, the top public health official in Santa Cruz County California prepared this report, confirming Smart Meters do pose a health risk. Health Risks Associated With SmartMeters. Also in January 2012, the American Academy of Environmental Medicine (AAEM) sent this letter to the CPUC calling for a halt to wireless smart meters.

Vulnerable groups include people with EMF sensitivities, medical implants, compromised immune systems, children, pregnant women, seniors and the environment! If you have a pacemaker California's PG&E is now warning you to adhere to the SIX INCH RULE-for your safety stay 6 inches away from a Smart Meter. Additionally, Smart Meters don't run backwards, and are therefore incompatible with solar panel installations - which goes against the ACC's supportive position on alternative energy sources.

Please refuse APS' request for a fee for those of us who opt-out of Smart Meters. We should not be charged for protecting our family's safety. Those of us who opt-out are actually probably less costly to APS in the long run because 1) we do not require a costly new meter or the cost of installing the meter; 2) we are not utilizing the software, cell waves or other hardware required for the Smart Meter; and 3) obviously APS will be firing most of their meter readers, which will save APS money in the long run. Yet APS is still being allowed to collect a meter reading surcharge for those who do have a Smart Meter.

The ACC is here to protect the consumers because the electric business is a monopoly by nature. Please help us consumers be able to protect our families.

Sincerely,

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From: Bernard Kensy <b.ckensy@yahoo.com>
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Subject: Docket 11-0328

Dear Chairman Pierce,

I just received an e-mail from a friend of mine in Mi. who said that the electric co. in Sterling Heights is also going to the Smart Meters and has an opt out provision BUT to keep you old meter you will have to pay a fee FOR NOT CHANGING IT OUT AND PAY A FEE FOR THE METER READER TO COME OUT on top of the fee for a meter reader who no longer comes out. I sure hope that you don't allow that to happen in AZ. But let us opt out at NO CHARGE AND NO DOUBLE FEES!

*Bernard Kensy
Resident since 1976*

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From: Nancy Baer <redrockclass@msn.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 19, 2012 10:02 AM
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: Barbara Litrell; Dan McIlroy; Jessica Williamson; John Martinez; Mark DiNunzio; Mike Ward; Rob Adams
Subject: e-Docket Number: E-00000C-11-0328 August 15, 2012 FIRE CONCERNS LEAD PECO TO HALT SMART METER INSTALLATIONS

Commissioners and all parties charged with protecting the public health and safety. In addition to the "smart meters" lethal effect on living organisms' biological processes and DNA structure, insurance companies have denied payment to property owners for fires caused by "smart meters." You can stop this from occurring in Arizona, by placing a 10-year moratorium on the deployment of these devices.

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After at least two fires and over a dozen incidents of overheating, PECO is halting its controversial smart meter installation program.

The stunning announcement came Wednesday morning as FOX 29 Investigates pressed the company over a spate of recent incidents, including fires in Bucks County.

PECO had plans to install 1.6 million of the so-called smart meters.

<http://www.myfoxphilly.com/story/19289039/peco-halts-smart-meter-installation-program>

The meter frequencies are illegal, they left consideration of the routers and antennas bombarding buildings, as well as the people inside. Topping that off, in the mass deployment of the smart grid, they didn't use qualified electricians. Meter installers in our area have 2 weeks training and sneak on properties installing the meters without owner's consent. That in itself is very very dangerous, here are what heated electrical connections look like in infrared.

None of the installed meters are safe, they need to wire them without exception.

[http://www.thermoguy.com/pdfs/Smart Meter Fires and Installation.pdf](http://www.thermoguy.com/pdfs/Smart%20Meter%20Fires%20and%20Installation.pdf)

In conclusion, as a reminder, it is nearly one year since the Corporations' open meeting and sufficient time has elapsed for me to observe that no concrete action has been taken to halt any more "smart meter" installations so that further independent studies on the effects of smart meter and smart grids may be conducted. If these meters cannot be proven to be 100% safe, the utility companies need to recall them.

All deployment of these meters needs to be halted immediately until studies are completed that determine they are safe. Insurance companies will not pay for any damages of the home or appliances resulting from smart meters. That being the case, I would think the same rule would apply to commercial building insurance.

Therefore, I hold each of the staff and commissioners personally liable for all damages (health and property) now and in the future if the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) allows continual deployment of smart meters and smart grid related hardware

or software without future independent studies of the safety and security of these frequencies.

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