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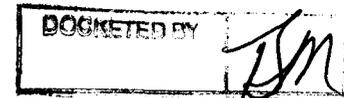
In The Matter Of Arizona Public Service Company Application For Approval Of
Automated Meter Opt-Out Service Schedule 17

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Docket No. E-01345A-13-0069 APS Opt-Out Proposal

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Dear Commissioners,

I am a customer of electric service with Arizona Public Service (APS). Utility account No.- 319667280. My address is 8643 Hansa Trail, Snowflake, AZ. 85937. I purchased my home here on 08/21/2012 specifically because of my health needs. I chose the opt-out option for that reason- Health Needs. I am sensitive to high-frequency radiation. This phenomenon began after my immune system was compromised.

I am writing with concerns over the new opt-out proposal submitted by Arizona Public Service (APS) on March 22, 2013. I am pleased to have opt-out capabilities. I still have concerns over the proposal and the high cost of opt-out fees. I am disappointed that no provisions were implemented for low income or disabled persons. That said, I also believe the fees proposed are too high for anyone. They seem to be punitive in nature.

APS states that the customer base wanting to opt out is extremely low, less than one-half of one percent. I would say that the ones wanting to opt out have very legitimate reasons, as I know I do. I don't think they should be punished for a need. The people with special needs are the ones least able to pay the higher costs. They are often not working and have higher medical costs.

APS will be having savings on more than 99.5 percent of the customer base. That still sounds like a financially successful endeavor.

The Non Automated Metering Cost Considerations seem exorbitant. APS is willing to supply the new smart meter to customers with no additional up front fee yet they want opt-out customers to pay a fee to have the analog meter removed, refurbished, and replaced. My current analog meter works just fine. I don't see the need to have it refurbished and pay someone to remove and replace. If they are asking me to pay for it I feel I should have some say-so. Again it feels punitive. Where is the normal cost of doing business consideration???

I have been disabled since 2003 and I try to keep my costs down in all areas. My disability income doesn't rise like the cost of inflation. I also try to keep my exposure

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to electromagnetic radiation (EMR) and electromagnetic fields (EMF) to a minimum.

This is due to health reasons. So I certainly do not want a smart meter.

APS also likes to state that health concerns have been proven unfounded. They base this on the statements of Leeka Kheifets Ph.D., Professor of Epidemiology at UCLA. I don't feel this should be given too much consideration as Dr. Kheifets is a paid representative of APS. I consider APS to be a self interest and Dr. Kheifets a special interest. Both are looking at profit. There is a saying that you get what you pay for. I feel it is always best to look at independent research studies that are not done for profit purposes. One of the best independent research studies is done by a group of researchers from around the world with no ties to big industry. The report can be seen at <http://www.bioinitiative.org>. Please take the time to check it out. There is also an interesting youtube documentary called; Resonance-Beings of Frequency that gets the point across of what is meant by the accumulative effect of electromagnetic radiation (EMR) and electromagnetic fields (EMF). Please watch to be informed.

I would like to mention nine diseases caused by actual pathophysiologic means that were once considered psychological events where patients were told they needed anxiety medications. All nine are recognized as having physical causes today.

- 1) Multiple Sclerosis (MS)
- 2) Parkinson's Disease
- 3) Lupus
- 4) Rheumatoid Arthritis
- 5) Migraine
- 6) Gastric Ulcers
- 7) Ulcerative Colitis
- 8) Asthma
- 9) Interstitial Cystitis

I see that APS has been installing these meters for the past 12 years. The shame here is that the much needed definitive research wasn't done prior to such a big project. Now there are becoming more and more health problems worldwide from such issues. I don't solely blame APS for this, it is truly an accumulative effect from the massive wireless growth over the past 50 years. Why is it being looked at now??? For one reason, more and more people having health effects.

Those wanting to opt -out have legitimate reasons. Most of which are health oriented. Most companies make reasonable accommodations for disability or medical conditions. I think this falls under that category. I think the price should be kept as low as possible and not be punitive in any way. When I opt-out I will already be paying more as I will be in the Company's E-12 Rate Schedule. I will be forfeiting benefits offered to other customers. That is punitive enough in my mind. I would state that I'm not doing this to

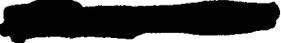
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be difficult. I'm not getting paid to do this. I'm not working for anyone. I'm putting my time in because I have real health needs. I understand that all I can do is make noise and voice my concerns. Only you as the commission can make change. I ask you to take my request (noise) seriously, check into the reports of independent researchers. Don't just side with big money.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John A. Russin".

John A. Russin


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