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I agree with Warren Woodward's July 3, 2014 comments on proposed rules, in docket #RU-00000A-14-0014, pertaining to the handling of private customer information gathered by so-called 'smart' meters. Personally, although I understand the Commission is engaged in an informal inquiry process for organizing how to handle Private Customer Smart Meter Information by Utilities, my attention is frustrated by the profound ignorance of ACC staff and APS staff related to the **HUGE ELEPHANT IN THE ROOM**, THAT CONTINUES TO BE IGNORED.

The "ELEPHANT" in this case is human and environmental damage from AMI, a WMD that is linked with other WMDs on our planet. According to the UN Convention on Biological Diversity estimate, 150-200 species become extinct every day. Arizona is part of this horrendous pathological plan: your part is to stop being part of the problem. Please choose to put a stop to our participation in this evil, life destructive plan.

THE REAL ISSUE:

SMART AMI WMD METERS MUST BE BANNED! Please take care of the 'ELEPHANT' - the rest of the nitpicking then becomes irrelevant. Wasting time causes irreparable harm to all life on Earth. Makes no sense: unless harm and the activity of a weapon of mass destruction is the main goal of APS and the ACC, with regard to so called "smart" AMI meters. Otherwise, wouldn't we get rid of the 'smart' AMI WMD meters, quickly, like a hot potato?

Please replace all of our beautiful, safe & sane analog meters!

Returning to Warren Woodward's letter on this docket, I am particularly grateful that Warren focused on a couple of issues.

I remember being stunned at the 2012 ACC Workshop on Meter Guidelines, Docket No. E-00000C-11-0328, when, what we can call another 'elephant' emerged! In Warren's words:

"At the ACC's March 23, 2012 "smart" meter workshop meeting, APS admitted that they do not have the source codes for their "smart" meters. So APS cannot say with certainty what data is being gathered or who has access to it. Have "backdoors" been built into their "smart" meters? APS does not know and neither do we."

Is that elephant still haunting APS and the ACC? Expect that many of us who attended the Smart Meter Workshop do not yet know how the highly suspect "smart" meter security issue has been resolved since March 2012.

Is the new effort in this docket an effort by the ACC to make it appear like it is actually doing something? Is it like inviting us to dinner and serving each of us 1/100th of a peanut?

I assume a realistic way to handle protection for the public in this issue, is for Don Brandt to agree to sign and notarize an affidavit explaining how this has been handled safely and accepting personal culpability on behalf of Pinnacle West Capital Corporation and APS should anything be amiss.

Another, option would be for Don and his corporations to take out insurance policy protecting all APS customers for all forms of harm emerging from hacking, sabotage, damages from loss of privacy, loss of one's wholesome way of life, etc. APS and the ACC could also view the current situation from another, more impartial vantage point, that of various insurance carriers, about the costs of the APS AMI WMD business model.

APS security issues do have the potential of affecting all of us. An unsafe AMI system is a hazard for all. Does APS now have

insurance that handles the increased risk of AMI WMDs on behalf of its public? Who is responsible when damage occurs due to APS' and ACC negligence?

Warren Woodward continues:

"The only hope for true, real privacy in the homes of people who do not "opt in" is to get or retain an analog meter.

But, as we all know, in what amounts to extortion, APS is requesting \$75 up front and \$30 per month for an analog meter.

So, you commissioners will need to decide if, in addition to being complicit in violating people's privacy, you are also going to be complicit in extortion."

Since Warren Woodward brings up the issue of extortion, I remind us of the ACC eDocket transcription of a presentation by Jerry Day, on Extortion.¹ Simply stated:

"With regard to the preposterous concept of Opt-Out fees: it is absurd to contemplate a fee to be paid to the criminal by the victim in order to escape the harm and damage and loss of the criminal activity."

Respectfully Submitted,



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¹ EXTORTION