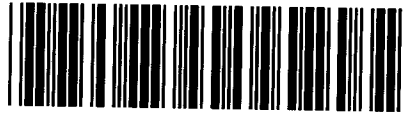




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RE: Petition for Initiation of Rulemaking Proceedings Regarding Smart Meters, Project Number 40199.

Dear PUC Commissioners, and Chairman Nelson:

After reviewing the Summary of the Petition submitted by Devvy Kidd and John Kidd, I stand with them in agreement regarding their reasonable request to terminate the installation of Smart Meters in Texas. I object to the meters as they are a violation to my 4th Amendment Right to Privacy, since the meters collect data that is so specific as to detail my usage of electricity approximately down to the minute, and can bear the load signatures of the devices and equipment used within my home.

Additionally, the vulnerability of the data to prevent piracy by third parties, or perhaps even the misuse of the data by the providers is a realistic concern. There is ample proof that neither the 'smart meters', nor the 'smart grid' provide the necessary security to protect such data from nefarious persons or purposes.

I have not given the TDU or my Electricity Provider any permission to collect such personal data, nor should any implied consent be acceptable in regards to such detailed personal information. On the contrary, I have supplied written notice to both entities that I deny permission for the access to my property for the purpose of installing a smart meter, and have posted a sign at the equipment location denying access to my property for this purpose.

Despite such notices and my personal intervention to prevent the trespass of a representative of CenterPoint Energy on my premises for this purpose, CenterPoint did intentionally and knowingly trespass on my property to install a smart meter by stealth without my consent. The CenterPoint employee, John Burgess, did admit that he read and understood my notice, and proceeded to install the meter anyway. I DO NOT want to have a Smart Meter installed at my residence, or on any other homes near mine. I have revoked any previous "implied consent" considered by the Utilities to have authorized the installation of any so called 'smart meter'. My personal usage details (beyond total electricity used during a billing cycle), belongs to me, period!

Please grant a public hearing immediately, to allow the petitioners and other concerned citizens to present evidence and testimony. Please, also declare a moratorium until such information from the hearing can be assimilated, and studied so as to come to an informed decision on the future of the 'Smart Meters' in Texas.

Sincerely,


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