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Subject: your comments in case 2012-00428 - Smart Grid administrative case
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Ms. Dabbs-

As you requested, your comments will be placed into the post-case correspondence file in this matter.

Thank you for your interest.

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I do wish to have this email placed in the post case correspondence file. Another thing you failed to mention from my first email are the health risks that everyone is reading about. Where are our rights to keep our selves healthy with these new meters that bare so many risks?

Have a great day!!

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Ms. Dabbs-

The PSC in the above-referenced case decided that it should be up to utilities to determine whether or not they would offer opt-outs for AMI ("smart") meters.

The PSC further determined that the costs associated with any opt-out should be charged to the

customer receiving the opt-out.

Therefore, a customer wishing to opt out from receiving a smart meter should first make that request of their utility.

If the utility chooses not to offer an opt-out, the customer may file an informal complaint with the PSC by calling 800-772-4636 or by filling out an online form that may be found here:
http://psc.ky.gov/PSC_WebNet/Inquiry.aspx

If the informal complaint cannot be resolved to the customer's satisfaction, the customer then may file a formal complaint, which becomes a case before the PSC. Under Kentucky statute, the party filing a formal complaint bears the burden of proving their case.

Finally, I should note that Kentucky law does not allow for retail competition in electric markets. In those states allowing retail competition, that competition has no effect on the type of meters that are deployed, because the distribution and metering of electricity remains the job of the local utility, with the retail choice coming only in the provider of the power that the local utility distributes.

If you wish to have your e-mail placed into the post-case correspondence file for the above-referenced case, please so advise.

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TO: Andrew Melnykovych, Director of Communications at PSC

Re. I have had a smart meter installed in my home and demand it be removed!

There are way too many health issues for these meters to be in our home and we were given no choice! Not to mention my monthly bill has doubled and sometimes more than that.

I demand that Kentucky electric utility customers be given a penalty-free opt-out to having any kind of a smart meter installed on our homes that transmits data wirelessly AND/OR gives time of usage reports to an electric utility.

Meters that transmit any time of usage — including daily usage — are not acceptable. Any EMF radiation at all is unacceptable.

Analog and some of the digital meters work just fine with no health or privacy concerns.

Here are two simple solutions:

1. There are electric meters that periodically transmit customer usage data wirelessly along the electric lines, once per week or once per month. These do not transmit time of usage data. No employee needed to visit the property and read the meter, no harmful EMF radiation, no fire hazard and no invasion of privacy.

2. In many cities, customers are charged an average fee monthly based on previous usage. Then the analog meter is read once or twice a year and the service charges are adjusted at that time.

What we really need is competition in the market. This problem would be solved immediately.

Thank you,

Sheila Dabbs

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