From: Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)

To:

Subject: your comments in case 2012-00428

Date: Friday, June 03, 2016 9:18:38 AM

#### Dear Mr. Coomers:

Thank you for your continued interest in Case 2012-00428, the administrative proceeding concerning Smart Grid standards and implementation.

Although the case was closed on April 13 of this year, your most recent e-mails regarding it will nevertheless be entered into the case record.

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http://hardware.slashdot.org/story/11/11/24/0331206/smart-meters-wreaking-havoc-with-home-electronics

Sent: Thursday, May 21, 2015 at 3:12 PM

From: "Melnykovych, Andrew (PSC)" < Andrew. Melnykovych@ky.gov >

To: "'Dale Coomers'"

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cause smart meters make us more vunerable to all that and more vunerable to the pscho nuts who hack. which if anyones house gets hacked by a hacker, then PSC has opened them selves to legal liability both FINANCIAL and other legal liabilities.

and real convientet the order did not give the consumer ay relief to specifically fil a PSC case to force the utilities to let individual people optout

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