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## RE: Correspondence Concerning Smart Meters

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

STOP allowing the installation of so-called smart meters. Why?

**FIRE:** <http://beforeitsnews.com/energy/2012/03/smart-meters-can-invalidate-your-homeowners-insurance-1839410.html>

No smart-meter brands or models carry a UL certification stamp or in Canada a UL or CSA stamp. Smart Meters have not been tested or approved by OSHA. Why?

Smart-meters are mostly plastic. The old **hermetically sealed** metal and glass analog meters dissipate heat quite well. Plastic is subject to sun rot. Plastic cracks, peels, melts and burns. Insurance companies LOVE for you to connect one, because if you have a home fire, and there have been reports of smart meters actually causing home fires, your insurance company will be off the hook to pay damages because you have an **unapproved device**, the smart meter, attached to your home.

<http://www.myfoxdc.com/story/22240644/fox-5-investigates-smart-meters-spark-controversy>

Last year: "They've been linked to over 900 fires nationwide," (USA)

Since then? Do Canadians care more about people and safety than we do?

<http://www.ctvnews.ca/canada/saskpower-ceo-resigns-after-smart-meters-report-1.2072954>

Last summer, the province (Saskatchewan) ordered SaskPower to remove more than 100,000 smart meters that had already been installed in homes, because there were fires.

<https://ca.news.yahoo.com/saskatchewan-smart-meter-fires-report-says-customer-safety-164850924.html>

The report said SaskPower failed to look at the possibility that the meters could short out and catch fire. (something totally impossible with an analog meter? Plastic BURNS)

It said that the utility looked at 359 returns and found that 18 smart meters were burned and no longer operational. Three more had high temperature errors, while 107 had display problems and 67 showed error codes. <http://www.takebackyourpower.net/news/2014/10/31/saskpower-ceo-resigns-following-investigation-into-smart-meter-catastrophe/>

As reported in late July, following a series of fires throughout Saskatchewan, Canada, "**SaskPower** ordered to remove all 105,000 smart meters ..."

**ACCURACY:** Consumers are reporting electricity bills rising two to threefold since their smart meter was installed. In effect, consumers are financing these new smart meters. The power company simply claims the OLD analog meter was defective and the smart meter is accurate. Smart-meters register current flow, but normally only register "positive" flow **into** the customer. "Negative" flow, from a customer's solar panels, wind or water generator is ignored at best, or worst, counted as "positive" flow. In England they LOVE the fact smart meters don't go backwards. In England, it is unlawful to allow your electric meter to go backwards.

<http://www.which.co.uk/energy/creating-an-energy-saving-home/guides/feed-in-tariffs-explained/meters-running-backwards/>

PURPA (the Public Utilities Regulatory Policy Act passed by Congress in 1978) guarantees that the USA utility company pays citizens for the electricity that a private citizen's systems generates.

Smart meters allow any USA power company to STEAL electricity from the public!

<http://stopsmartmeters.org/frequently-asked-questions/>

They "can" be programmed to register electricity **delivered** (to the customer) and **received** (from the customer) power, BUT usually they are not programmed that way. Again, UK has no law like PURPA, stealing power from people is allowed.

<http://stopsmartmeters.net/smartElectricityMeters.htm>

Smart meters charge the customer for the electricity used to run the meter! Smart meters **use electricity**, even when hooked to NOTHING. Smart meters actually defeat the claimed intent, to REDUCE electrical usage, they increase it. EXPERIMENT: Connect an analog meter, then 5 smart meters and then an analog meter in a series.

Have them connected to NOTHING. the first analog meter will register the usage of the smart meters, and the last analog meter will register no usage.

When no electricity is consumed in the house, analogue meters don't spin and hence consume no power. Smart meters constantly draw a small amount of power to keep themselves operating. There is simply no benefit to consumers or the environment.

**HEALTH ISSUES:** A microwave oven cooks food at a radio frequency of 2.45GHz. Smart-meters emit short duration, intensely high energy pulses very near this frequency. Supposedly only 4 times a day, it is actually between 4-8 times a minute. Watch closely near the end of this video. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M4KUdTcZCUI> The claim is that "over-time" exposure is low. **Experiment:** explode a single fire cracker, 1 foot from your unprotected right ear, once every hour, for 500 hours. Divide the total time (500 hours) by total combined duration of all the explosions (roughly 750 ms or 3/4sec) and this "exposure is incredible small. But you will lose all hearing in your right ear, non-the-less!  
<http://www.electrosmogprevention.org/smart-meter-resources-links/ada-accommodations-info/recognition-of-the-electromagnetic-sensitivity-as-a-disability-under-the-ada/>  
sadly there is more

Why are PUC in USA allowing these, yet Canada recognizes the danger?  
Do Canadians care more about people and safety than we do?

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Dear Mr. Creager,

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