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Statement of Position Submitted by Tom Crockett

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E-2 Sub 834

Message

(1) Has the public utility commission done the due diligence of investigating how the utilities will SELL this information? How much money the utilities will make from that? How they will protect my information? How they will allow me to opt-out of the sharing (ie, selling) of my information? (2) Also, why only MDs and DOs? Why not Doctors of Chiropractic or Acupuncture? (3) Why not have a wired connection for reading? Why is monthly meter reading the only option? They have programs now for averaged billing and only occasional reading; why not allow that? Will I ever get answers to these questions? The option the utility proposes is needlessly expensive because they have designed a system to not allow exceptions. They should be forced to redesign an exception-friendly system. The utility proposal is just a blatant attempt to make it hard to opt-out just to make their profits higher, without regard to the suffering of some customers. This is not how a regulated utility should behave.

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Message

We need an ANALOG option. Dirty electricity from the "radio-off" smart meter Duke is offering as an opt-out makes people sick. And "radio-off" smart meters are still an invasion of privacy. —We need NO notarization requirement for our doctor's statements. Doctors don't have a notary public on the premises and this is an undue burden on patients and doctors to coordinate the notary being present when the doctor signs the statement. — We need for the statement that Duke can suspend its opt-out program if they deem it "not feasible" to be eliminated from the language of the proposed program. They must always provide an opt-out because RF and dirty electricity are always a health problem. —and we need for Duke Energy to NOT be allowed to simply discontinue an individual's Opt-out status after the 1st year with 30 days written notice. We need to be secure in knowing that when we opt-out, it is for GOOD!

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E-2 Sub 834

Message

Dear Members of the North Carolina Utilities Commission, My comments are in regards to Duke Energy's proposals concerning the smart meter roll out in NC. I have come to learn the details involving AMI or Smart Meters through in-depth reading, research and networking. There are many spokes to the wheel that emits harmful dirty electricity (EMF, RF, etc) and the digital, electronic Smart Meter is a major component. Relatively young, compared to the safe and dependable workhorse we all grew up with called the traditional mechanical analog meter, the Smart Meter presents a lengthy list of concerns for those living and working near these radiation emitting devices. Smart meters affect not only health, but, also privacy, safety, and our right to determine what sort of technology will be put on our home! An individual has the freedom to choose what technology they will install in their homes, vehicles and on their person. When a utility meter is forcibly placed to satisfy the agendas of the power company without regard to radiation exposure of humans, animals, beneficial insects and the environment overall, one must speak up and advocate for the right to retain and maintain a healthy living environment. As one who has dealt with cancer and a very rare disease with severe lung damage that is cancer similar, I have had to take a comprehensive look at total exposures from all sources. No longer in my occupation as a health care provider, I spend the majority of my time in my home. It is of key importance that I have a safe haven to limit toxic exposures, including radiation risks in order to promote quality of life and negate adversity from controllable risk factors. The digital opt-out meter will NOT protect one's health! The only healthy meter on the market with a proven record of not emitting radiation is the ANALOG meter! North Carolina citizens need this option! The "radio off" digital meter is easily adapted by the power company to become a smart meter without one being aware of the change. Radiation persists causing the signs and symptoms experienced with a Smart Meter, and, they remain a source of invasion of privacy. With regards to the requirement of an MD notarized statement, the requirement to have this paperwork notarized is far reaching and NOT needed! The majority of doctor's offices do not have a notary on staff. I have been through extensive disability paperwork and process and have not had to hire a notary to accompany me to any medical appointments! This is a major stumbling block that Duke Energy wants in place to benefit their agenda of forcing the smart meter onto the home. A disturbing request on the part of Duke MUST be removed "We

need for the statement that Duke can suspend its opt-out program if they deem it "not feasible" to be eliminated from the language of the proposed program. They must always provide an optiout because RF and dirty electricity are always a health problem." We need for " Duke Energy to NOT be allowed to simply discontinue an individual's Opt-out status after the 1st year with 30 days written notice. We need to be secure in knowing that when we opt-out, it is for good." The many complaints across the country and overseas speaking to greatly increased electric bills that are unprecedented and do not correlate with energy usage history of the customer's dwelling upon smart meter installation are ongoing. The AARP in many states has taken the position that smart meters are causing a great financial burden on the fixed income, elderly and disabled population. There is data being collected showing that the electricity required to operate the smart meter is adding to the customer's bill to the tune of \$120 per year! The upside is all about the power company and never the consumer. There is the added concern of fires with the smart meter being the root cause, shorter life span with need to replace at the customer's cost, damaged electronics and appliances and dying plants near the meter. Analog meters tolerate power surges without exploding as smart meters have done when a vehicle hits a utility pole. Concerns are valid about forcing this new technology on older buildings with older meter sockets where the contacts may not line up. "hot swapping" where the meters are changed out with current flowing, and overall quality control at the point of manufacture. I appreciate all that the NCUC does for consumer advocacy and hope that it will continue during this pivotal time. Sincerely, Susan Heckman

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E-2 Sub 834

Message

I am a senior citizen and an electromechanical analog meter as an opt-out option is very important to me for health reasons. Your "radio-off" smart meters are an invasion of privacy and produce dirty electricity. And please do not simply discontinue my opt-out status after the 1st year with 30 days written notice. I need to know that when I opt out, it is for good. My health choices need to be respected without requiring a notary to validate my medical condition. Sincerely, Rev. L. Canino Duke Energy customer

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Message

I have many patients who are sensitive to electrical fields and often recommend that they take measures to lower their exposure to these fields. In some cases it is the difference between success and failure for their health condition, especially in neurological and immune issues. Please allow for an analog option for those who choose to opt out of smart meters. Thank you, Dale Schusterman, DC

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E-2, Sub 834

Message

Hello, I noticed that a Smart Meter was recently installed without my permission and approval. This letter is a request for an "Opt-Out" from this program due to health issues from Radio-Frequency Radiation. I would like the Analogue Meter to be installed. Please let me know how this can be achieved as quickly as possible. Thank You, Susan Stowell