

**From:** [Sarah Birger](#)  
**To:** [UTC DL Records Center](#)  
**Subject:** Citizen Comment Submission to Docket U-180525  
**Date:** Tuesday, January 29, 2019 3:58:10 PM

---

To the WUTC,

I have told PSE that I do not want a smart meter installed at my residence and the PSE employee I spoke with told me that if I want electricity, I was going to have a smart meter. Period.

I am concerned by the growing amount of EMF exposure in our communities, and I do not want smart meters installed on my property or anywhere on Whidbey Island.

I wish to urge the WUTC to make all Washington investor-owned power companies do further study of the pivotal research results arriving in the last 5 years that throw into further question the safety of smart meter EMF. This includes results like the 2018 National Toxicology Project and the 2017 update of the International Bioinitiative Report.

I also urge the WUTC to carefully investigate why numerous states and municipalities have found that smart meters are a poor investments, rejecting the plans of companies like the ones you are now passing on.

I have heard of numerous house fires caused by smart meters in many states; I charge our regulators to investigate beyond the assurances given by the power companies and meter manufacturers that these meters are fire safe.

In the case that some of these meters are installed I strongly support all WUTC efforts to make sure no personally identifiable data obtained from these meters can be sold by companies to third parties without clear consent.

Respectfully,

**Sarah Birger**, Landscape Designer

---

State Of WASH.  
UTIL. AND TRANSP.  
COMMISSION

01/29/19 16:41

Received  
Records Management

Taproot Architects, LLC  
PO Box 1026, Langley WA 98260

ph. 360.321.4447 m: 360.632.9663  
<http://www.taproot.us>