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Hello. We have recently been informed that Puget Sound Energy has plans to install Smart Meters on all of the buildings on Whidbey Island where we live. This should not be all the standard part has al on all of the buildings on Whidbey Island, where we live. This should not be allowed as there are health concerns with these meters, as well as the fact that so far they have not been shown to save money, as promised, in the communities where they have been installed. There are many experts who say these meters are not safe, despite company promises that they are. Many of these people are experts who understand electro-magnetic fields and have worked either in the industry or for the military with electro-magnetic radiation. As citizens we should have a right to refuse having these meters on our homes as long as we are concerned about their safety.

We have been told by our power company that based on the current monitoring system our home gets "pulsed" once a night for data collection. No expensive manpower is needed to come out and check the meters and yet the power company gets the information it needs. It seems that would be enough. We do not want our family to be exposed to 24 hour spiking emissions as these have been proven to be detrimental to health, even at low levels. Please just look at the research. Humans are electo-chemical beings so it should make sense that nearly constant exposure to electrical interference would have an effect on people. Other countries are seeing this and beginning to take precautionary steps. It is time we start paying attention in America too.

In our home we have taken steps to reduce our exposure to EMFs and we are continuing to work on this. It is not always easy or convenient, yet we do it because we value our health and the health of our children. We realize that exposure to EMFs is unavoidable in our country (our children sit in schools with high levels of EMFs all day long, after all) but we should at least have the right to reduce it in our own homes and give our bodies a break from it. It is a violation of peoples' rights to force these meters on them. Even if people are given the opportunity to opt-out of these meters they may still be hit with the dirty electricity from their neighbor's Smart Meters, and there are also serous concerns about hackability with these meters. It is therefore our hope that these meters will not come to our lovely island at all, but at least give us a chance to opt-out of them!

Thank you very much for your time and consideration of these concerns.

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