

Walter Clemence

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Subject: smart meter hearing

Mr Clemence,

The video of your recent smart meter hearing was very interesting, and pretty one sided with the 'experts' representing the *monopolies* that you control (the power companies) allowed in chambers, while the opposition left out until their time came! You call that representing the taxpayers of this State or truly trying to get 'educated' on a subject?? When do "We the People" of this great state get our opportunity to ask questions and present facts? Your supposed 'experts' on this subject were supplied by the power companies they lobbied for.....is that the way it is going to continue in this state?? Oh, and thank you for allowing the citizens to state their case after SIX hours of your meeting; nobody appeared to care at that point!

I can't tell you how thrilled I am at the benefits of smart meters: I now get to have 'real time' access to what power I'm using in my home ("Honey, turn off the dishwasher and do them by hand, you're using too much power") AND I won't have to call FPL when I have an outage.....ARE YOU GUYS KIDDING ME, THAT IS WORTH \$200MM DOLLARS??

The State of Florida couldn't have found something better to do with the money than give it to the monopoly power companies that you guys are in place to regulate and protect us from?? What a joke!

The presentation of the health concerns at your meeting were pretty weak and one sided. To put it off that the Feds are the ones that have approved the smart meter sends a tingle down my leg.....just what I want, Washington doing more of the States work! You obviously haven't done YOUR homework, as there are experts on Electro Magnetic Frequency Waves worldwide that don't condone more use of these, as they (EMF) grow by leaps and bounds in our daily life. At least with cell phones, routers and the like we have a choice whether to use them or not; with Smart Meters they just throw them up on your home when you are off working and transmit away!
Where is our choice? All this for 'me', so I don't have to call FPL and can see my usage by the minute? You folks can't possibly be that gullible to believe that; therefore, I assume the whole bunch of you are in bed with the power companies if you allow anything but an 'Opt In' or outright ban for we the taxpayers and the bill payers! This is not the end of this program, as if you have done your homework you will see that more communications between household equipment, and the ability of the power companies to control usage inside ones home will be the next step coming

soon.

In closing, I am also dismayed that power companies push the UL (Underwriter Laboratories, Northbrook, Illinois) approved devices as being so important when we purchase household appliances and the like (and it is), BUT THAT THE SMART METERS ARE NOT UL APPROVED!! So much for our safety at heart. Please do the hard thing, that which is right for the people you are in place to protect!

Respectfully,
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