**From:** Kim Darwin [kim-mortgages@eastlink.ca]
**Sent:** Monday, October 21, 2013 6:08 PM
**To:** Commission Secretary BCUC:EX
**Cc:** 'Una St. Clair'; smartmeters@bchydro.com
**Subject:** Intervener Online Registration - BC Hydro Smart Meter Choices Program

To BCUC Secretary,

Re: BC Hydro Smart Meter Choices Program

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have registered on your site as an intervener and am sending you this email to comply with the requirements.

I received a letter from BC Hydro regarding their Meter Choices Program. I have been very clear with BC Hydro that I do not wish to have a Smart Meter installed at my home. I reiterate that I want a NO-FEE Smart Meter OPT-OUT program, based on my concerns surrounding Health, Fire Risk, Privacy, Security, Safety, Cost and Environment.

The proposed meter reading costs imposed by BC Hydro are nothing short of fear tactics and extortion. I refuse to pay $35 per month to have my meter read based on the following grounds:

1. My meter is not read each month. Prior to September 2013, my meter had not been read since March, 2013. I would be pleased to provide copies of my hydro bills which would show estimates for the months April, May, June, July and August;
2. I take a photograph of my analogue meter on the 12th of every month. At no cost, I would be willing to email photos directly to BC Hydro to save them the cost of sending a meter reader to my home. Technology is advanced enough that this would be a reasonable, alternative solution.;
3. There are other solutions to this issue. Another solution would be to encourage BC Hydro analogue consumers to set their billing to the equal payment plan. Then they could have their meter read Annually or even Semi-annually, to make any consumption cost adjustments;
4. BC Hydro sends a Meter Reader to the Sunshine Coast from Vancouver via BC Ferries (where I live) every day. His meter reading route is not organized into specific areas, but scattered all over the community each day. If meter reading is necessary, it should be done in an organized time, fuel and cost efficient fashion. We should not be charged for BC Hydro's disorganization.

Please consider other alternatives and abolish ALL charges by BC Hydro for opting out of their smart meter program. I do not believe that a radio-off meter is a viable option as I do not trust that BC Hydro will continue to keep the radio off, based on their actions with the implementation of the whole smart meter program. They made a mistake with this program and I refuse to pay for their mistakes.

I hope that you will continue to be an unbiased Commission with the goal to protect BC Consumers.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Kind Regards,

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c.c. Citizens for Safe Technology
BC Hydro Smart Meter Program

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Last Name, First; e.g. Smith, John

Name*: Darwin, Kimberly

Professional Designation:

Organization:

Job Title: Independant Mortgage Consultant

Representing:

User Type*: ☐ Applicant ☐ Interested Party ☑ Intervener ☐ Other

Address*: 5434 Yew Road

City*: Sechelt

Province*: BC

Postal Code*: V0N 3A3

Phone*: 604-740-1498

Cell/Pager:

Fax:

Primary Email: kim-mortgages@eastlink.ca

Copy to:

Email 2: ☐

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Role*: EndUser

Approved Status: ☐ Approved?

Only approved users will be allowed to access submit file function.

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User Name* (No Spaces): removed

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FortisBC Inc Purchase of the Utility Assets of the City of Kelowna ~ Phase 2
FortisBC Inc Stepped and Stand-By Rates for Transmission Voltage Customers
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