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To: Commission Secretary BCUC:EX
Subject: Application to become intervener

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To: commission.secretary@bcuc.com

Subject: BC Hydro Smart Meter Choices Program

Please add the following Letter to the above-named proceeding.

To the Members of the B.C. Utilities Commission:

I would like to register as an Intervener representing myself in the BC Hydro Smart Meter Choices Program proceedings. I feel my experiences with BC Hydro and the effects of radiation from the Smart Meters on me are valuable to this proceeding and need to be heard.

When BC Hydro co-located nine smart meters beside our home in June 2012, I became very ill. This radiation sickness has left me very EHS (electrohypersensitive) and has also left me with physical and cognitive impairment. My medical doctor has in written form recommended I not be exposed to the radiation from these wireless devices. My neurologist has found no other reason for my illness except the radiation from these smart meters. Smart meters are being rejected in many areas and co-locating smart meters is not permitted in some areas of the world because of the increased radiation exposure and proven biological effects. It is my opinion BC Hydro has shown negligence in protecting its customers and the public from these dangers.

Due to the health effects brought on by the radiation from the smart meters I was unable to start the job I was to begin in September of 2012. My husband is 65 and is able to collect pension but I am only 53 and now unable to work. The loss of employment and attempting to mitigate the EMF's in our home, protect ourselves from the radiofrequency emitted by the smart meters, and regain some of my health has caused us great hardship financially, physically, and emotionally, and continues to do so. It would be a severe hardship for us to have to pay these proposed fees.

The emotional strain on me and on my husband has been terrible. After the meters were installed and I became very ill to the point I thought I was going to die I called BC Hydro. They belittled my illness, stated that the radiation was not harmful, and told me

that if we put up anything to protect our home from the radiation that they would just rip it down. They also told us that the meters send out only 4 pulses a day. With our RF meter we have recorded 25 pulses an hour. My illness is an extreme trial that leaves me and my husband exhausted and frustrated and this, compiled with the fear that BC Hydro is going to rip down any protection that we put up and also charge us to keep our safe analogue meter, is overwhelming.

Research shows that smart meters whether they have the radiofrequency on or off contain a SMPS (switching-mode power supply) which produces harmonics on house wiring, creating so-called 'dirty power' and higher EMF's with attendant health risks to those with EMF sensitivity. Having increased EMF's in our home would greatly deteriorate my health.

I feel BC Hydro is harassing us by proposing a fee so we can keep our analogue meter and stating that we can only keep our analogue meter until its seal expires or we move. I feel, in no uncertain terms, this is abuse by our power company.

Why is BC Hydro not offering a choice of going on the equal payment plan program and having our analogue meter read once or twice a year? Would this not substantially decrease administration costs? Why is BC Hydro charging a monthly opt-out fee for meter reading when readings are only done every two months and have always been included in the services? This is criminal in my opinion.

Our choice to keep our analogue meter is a necessity. My health depends on it.

My rights include being safe, well, secure, and free from harassment in my home as well as the enjoyment of my property. I feel BC Hydro is grinding my rights into the ground. I feel as if I am the little shop on the corner and the neighbourhood thugs are demanding payment so I and my husband can remain free from harm.

Please refuse these opt-out fees and choices presented by BC Hydro. Also, please do what you can to discontinue the practice of co-locating smart meters.

Thank-you.

Sincerely,

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