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From: a2348@shaw.ca
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Subject: smart meters & energy efficient bulbs

Dear sir / madam I am a concerned individual that resides in a small community in beautiful British Columbia. , Over the past few years I have observed B.C. Hydro mislead the public as to the dangers of smart meters and mercury filled bulbs, in fact they have not informed anyone of the dangers period , to the contrary we still hear misleading ads on the television. Several years ago i recieved an insert with my hydro bill telling me to go green and help conserve energy, i was all for it, i purchased a large amount of energy bulbs and i even changed several light fixtures to accomodate the push in type of bulb. I switched every filament bulb in my home to a mercury filled energy efficient bulb. After several months of using these bulbs i had one explode in the socket, several months later i had a second bulb explode in a different light socket . This caused me a great deal of concern so i contacted B.C.Hydro and i was told i must have been using cheap bulbs, this i thought was an inadequate answer to my concerns , so i called hydro again and spoke to the head supervisor, the way she explained what was necessary for me to do if another bulb should explode really caused me to be upset. I was told to get everyone out of the house and open a window and stay out for 30 minutes or so, she said this with panic in her voice.. I asked what would happen to the mercury vapour , and she said it just disapears, i totally did not believe that answer, and i said how can hydro call this going green when mercury is a poison and i am certain people would discard these bulbs in with their regular garbage and all this mercury will eventually leach in to the water supply... With that i removed almost every bulb in my home and put them in safety containers and returned to using filament bulbs which have never exploded in their socket.. I was very upset that i was duped in to putting myself in to harms way with these dangerous mercury bulbs..There is nothing safe or green about this , and after discussing this with several neighbors some have had similar experiences with the green bulbs and one neighbor actually had a fire start from the bulb... MAKE A NOTE FOR YOURSELF THESE BULBS ARE DANGEROUS. presently we can now purchase mercury bulbs that are in a plastic cover so obviously this has happened to many people... Now on to so called smart meters, and radio frequency radiation, I have refused to allow hydro to put one on my home. And i have felt threatened by the industry. which has caused me a great deal of stress to say the least.. At one time i had wireless phones in my home , and i agree they are a convenience , but i started to have ringing in the ear { tenitus} so i removed these devices from my home and the tenitus has gone away...That to me is a perfect example that the technology is harmful AND NOT VERY SMART AS HYDRO STILL MAINTAINS. There have been many fires from these meters burning electronics and wirig in peoples homes. So fires are a great concern for me... the smart meters are transmitters and recievers which i feel is dangerous to all living things... there is a danger of a computer wiz tapping in to everyones usage , and knowing when people are at home etc. ...And the continuation with the smart meter PROGRAM is to have every one purchase chipped appliances that will comunicate with there meters and back to some huge data bank... all the people that have these meters have claimed their hydro bills have gone up substancially ,, SO PLEASE MAKE A NOTE OF THIS UNSAFE TECHNOLOGY please and thankyou Vera Sywak 5802 vShaw RD. Salmon Arm B.C. v1e2w2 phone 250 832 9917 a2348@shaw.ca looking forward to a response ... Thank you again