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Utilities Commission**

Letter of Comment

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Proceeding name

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Letter of Comment

Name (first and last)

Joan Wenman

Date:

August 23, 2016

Comment: Please specify the reasons for your interest in the proceeding, your views concerning the proceeding, any relevant information that supports or explains your views, the conclusion you support and any recommendations. The Commission may disallow comments that do not comply with the Rules of Practice and Procedure.

My main concern is that BC Hydro has spent \$ 1 billion and more on smart meters on our homes and businesses over the last few years. These smart meters are potential fire and radiation hazards to many of us. This is also our public money and has been so unwisely spent. BC Hydro in my view has no morale and ethical right to again come to ratepayers and demand increases in our rates. As owners of this Crown corporation we had no say in our privacy and health being put at risk by smart meters. As you are well aware these smart meters have been rejected in many other jurisdictions in Canada, the US and in Europe. Despite multiple attempts to alert authorities at BC Hydro, BC Health Authorities and BCUC, efforts to be heard appear to have been deliberately ignored.

Therefore I ask you why when \$ 1 billion was spent against many BC taxpayers wishes for 'smart' meters why again we are asked to pay more for our electricity. I am not convinced at all in my reading of the rate- increase issues that they are not fundamentally flawed in logic.

As a fourth generation British Columbia I have lost faith in this Corporation and therefore do not believe once of the marketing spin on rate increases that is coming from our publicall-owned utility. I am ashamed of BC Hydro and your spin and cover-ups.

Sincerely,
Joan Wenman,

August 12, 2016