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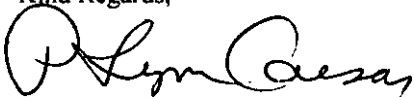
PA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
SECRETARY'S BUREAU

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Commonwealth Keystone Building
400 North Street, Second Floor
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Ms. Chiavetta,
Enclosed please find a letter from my physician, Dr. Birgit Rakel, affirming my Electro Magnetic Frequency sensitivity as a disability along with my request for accommodation to maintain my analog meter.

I would also like to bring to your attention that PECO continues to send me threatening letters (see two enclosed letters) to shut off my service even though I have filed a formal complaint with the PUC. I would please like to ask that PECO cease and desist in sending me these threatening letters until we have our hearing on December 6, 2017. Thank you very much.

Kind Regards,



P. Lynn Caesar

Cc: Shawane L. Lee, Esquire
Council for Peco Energy company
2301 Market Street S23-1
Philadelphia, PA 19103

Attachment: letter from Physician Dr. Birgit Rakel
2 letters from Peco threatening termination of service



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July 7, 2017

LYNN CAESAR
212 WILLIAMSBURG RD
ARDMORE, PA 19003

Account number: 74073-05030

Dear Customer:

As you will recall from our previous communications, we have been upgrading our electric and natural gas meters with newer technology.

These meters are being installed as part of Pennsylvania state law, Pennsylvania Act 129 of 2008, requiring electric utilities statewide to install new metering technology for customers.

We have fully transitioned to an upgraded communications network, which requires the installation of this new electric meter. The current meter at your property will not be able to communicate with our new network.

Customers who do not schedule an appointment will risk service termination.

The installation of our new meter at your property was initially postponed until the end of our project. As our project comes to a close, we would like to schedule a convenient time to install our new meter at your property. Please call **215-841-5952** at your earliest convenience to schedule an appointment.

If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Knight, project lead, Customer Field Operations, at 215-841-5524 or Kathleen.Knight@exeloncorp.com.

Sincerely,

PECO Meter Installation Team

7/11/17

LYNN CAESAR
212 WILLIAMSBURG RD
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TEN DAY SHUT OFF NOTICE
(AVISO DE SUSPENSION DE SERVICIO EN 10 DIAS)

Your Electric/Gas Service Will Be Shut Off!

Account Number: 7407305030

We will shut off your PECO Energy Service on or after 8:00 a.m. on July, 23 2017 because:

- You have a past due amount of PECO Energy charges in the amount of \$ as of _____.
- You did not give us access to inspect our meter.**
- You did not meet the requirements and/or complete the application for utility service.

We will NOT shut off your electric service if you do ONE of the following:

1. Pay amount in full before, this includes any amount you owe on your payment plan. This notice is effective for 60 days.
2. Show us a paid receipt for the past due amount.
3. Call 1-888-480-1533 immediately if you dispute this bill or to provide us with household income and occupant information. You may be eligible for a payment agreement or special assistance programs. To talk about your bill, please call our office at 1-888-480-1533.

To provide access to our meter, please call our office at 215-841-5950 OR 215-841-5952

WE MUST RECEIVE YOUR PAYMENT BEFORE THE SHUT-OFF DATE. WE WILL NOT ACCEPT PAYMENT AT YOUR PROPERTY.

if we shut off your electric service, you may have to pay all of the following before we can turn your service on:

Past Due Amount of:

Deposit past Due Amount of:

Agreement Unbilled Balance:

Turn-on charge of up to \$1650.00

**If your service is shut off, you may be required to pay any additional bills that have become past due to restore your service.*

MEDICAL EMERGENCY NOTICE

Let us know if you or anyone presently and normally living in your home is **SERIOUSLY ILL. WE WILL NOT SHUT OFF YOUR SERVICE** during such an illness provided you:

1. Have your licensed physician or nurse practitioner certify by phone and in writing that such an illness exists and that it may be aggravated if your service is shut off. Phone certification must be followed by written certification within 7 days. **'AND'**
2. Make arrangements to pay this bill. You must provide us with household income and occupant information to determine your payment terms while protected under the medical certification.



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Date:

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary
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Dear Ms. Chiavetta,

My patient, Patti Lynn Caesar, suffers from Environmental Sensitivities, including sensitivities to Extremely Low Frequencies (ELF) and Radio Frequencies (RF) together called Electro Magnetic Frequencies (EMF). Exposure to EMF makes my patient quite ill. Heart rate variability testing indicates that it interferes with their heart rhythm in a negative, objectively measurable and reproducible way. EMFs can cause a wide variety of health effects to the general public. On Sept. 5, 2011 the International Journal of Neuroscience reported that "EMF hypersensitivity can occur as a bona fide environmentally inducible neurological syndrome." (<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/21793784>)

On May 31, 2011 the World Health Organization (WHO) classified Smart Meter radiation as a Class 2B carcinogen (See http://www.iarc.fr/en/media-centre/pr/2011/pdfs/pr208_E.pdf The "BioInitiative Report: A Rationale for a Biologically-based Public Exposure Standard for Electromagnetic Fields -ELF and RF- <http://www.bioinitiative.org/table-of-contents/>.) This position was updated in 2012 by 29 scientists, public health and public policy experts to document the scientific evidence on electromagnetic fields. Another dozen outside reviewers have looked at and refined the Report. The purpose of this report is to assess scientific evidence on health impacts from electromagnetic radiation below current public exposure limits and evaluate what changes in these limits are warranted now to reduce possible public health risks in the future. According to this report, it appears it is the INFORMATION conveyed by electromagnetic radiation (rather than heat) that causes biological changes - some of these biological changes may lead to loss of wellbeing, disease and even death. Here are some of their findings: Evidence for Cancer (Childhood Leukemia and Adult Cancers), Changes in the Nervous System and Brain Function, Effect on Genes (DNA), Effects on Stress Proteins (Heat Shock Proteins), Effects on the Immune System, Plausible Biological Mechanisms. For hypersensitive individuals, the effects are immediate and intense. "EMF Symptoms include: depression anxiety, difficulty concentrating, difficulty finding words, episodic hypertension, eye inflammation, fatigue, forgetfulness, frequent infections, headaches, heart palpitations, hormonal disturbance, impaired balance, irritability, joint and limb pain, learning difficulties, loss of appetite, lymph node swelling, nausea, nerve and soft tissue pain, night sweats, numbness or tingling, restlessness, skin complaints, sleep disturbance, thyroid problems, tinnitus, visual disturbance" (Dr. Magda Havas). For patients with heart problems, pacemakers or metal implants, a short exposure to strong EMF can be deadly! For infants and small children, whose blood brain barrier is not yet fully formed, exposures can lead to devastating health problems.

On January 19, 2012, The Board of the American Academy of Environmental Medicine opposed the installation of wireless "smart meters" in homes and schools based on a scientific assessment of the current medical literature (they will supply references available on request). "Chronic exposure to wireless radiofrequency radiation is a preventable environmental hazard that is sufficiently well documented to warrant immediate preventative public health action."



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In 2002, the Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board, also known as the United States Access Board, recognized electromagnetic sensitivity as a real and potential disability. The Board recognizes electromagnetic sensitivities may be considered a disability under the ADA if they so severely impair neurological, respiratory or other functions of an individual that it substantially limits one or more of the individual's major life activities. The Center for ElectroSmog Prevention discusses "Recognition of the Electromagnetic Sensitivity as a Disability Under the ADA (http://web.archive.org/web/20060714175343/http://enr.nibs.org/enr_project.pdf)

I am requesting that the PUC and PECO make accommodations for Ms. Caesar to continue having her analog meter (and not be exposed to a smart meter). Thank you for your consideration.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Birgit Rakel".

Sincerely,

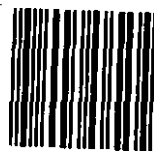
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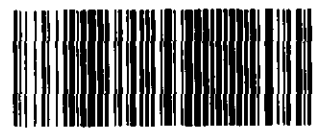


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