

August 21, 2018

Docket No. C-2018-3003324

Dear PUC Secretary Chiavetta and First Energy Company,

I recently filed a formal complaint with the Pennsylvania Utility Commission requesting to opt out of a smart meter for health reasons. I previously had a smart meter from a different utility company, and it made me sick. A doctor's letter sufficed to have the smart meter replaced with the original analog meter, and I got well.

I recently received a response from First Energy to my formal complaint. The response was dated July 31, 2018. I received it several days later. As I am not familiar with legal documents, I followed the advice on the cover letter to call Lauren Lepkoski, legal counsel at First Energy, to ask her questions. I phoned her and received no reply for several days. I called back and spoke with her yesterday. She patiently explained the documents and the steps I may need to take.

I explained to her that I do not agree with the findings (if that is the word) of both the "preliminary objection" and the "new matter." (I had not even realized that I was sent two (2) different documents, because the cover letter was exactly the same; I assumed I must have been sent two copies of the same document.) She explained, and showed me in the documents, that there was a timeline for filing a written response. She advised me to send a request for an extension of time to reply on both the preliminary objection and the new matter.

So I now request an extension of 20 days, from today's date, August 21, 2018. I will therefore submit my reply by Monday, September 10. I only ask for this amount of time because I am currently swamped with work, and want to do this properly.

I hope this is acceptable.

Kind regards,
Judith Hendin