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Secretary Rosemary Chiavetta  
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**Re: Evangeline Hoffman-Lorah v. PPL Electric Utilities Corporation**  
**Docket No. C-2018-2644957**

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

The purpose of this letter is twofold. Firstly, I am filing an Exemption for Administrative Law Judge Barnes' decision in the above-mentioned case. Secondly, I am seeking to clarify a misunderstanding of a separate complaint filed involving a different property.

There are several reasons for my filing an Exemption which I will try to explain briefly. Firstly, a medical exception needs to be made for people such as myself who suffer ailments which may be exacerbated by exposure to the radio frequencies and electro-magnetic frequencies emitted by smart meters. I disagree with the statement of the Initial Decision, dated November 15, 2018, which states, "there is no reliable medical basis". The first problem with this statement is, as I have repeatedly notated, there have been *no* studies conducted regarding the safety to human health of these specific types of smart meters and their wide-spread use. How can there be any kind of conclusion when no studies have been conducted? Also, why are the only "experts" which are given credibility those who are paid to testify on behalf of PPL? Many others have written of the possible ill affects of smart meters who I do not have the benefit to know or be able to financially compensate to testify on my behalf. Also, why is my doctor's medical diagnosis not given proper credibility? A medical professional who has known me for decades and is knowledgeable of my symptoms is the best person to make such a diagnosis. The diagnosis of EHS (electromagnetic hypersensitivity) is recognized in Europe and California as a disability and is being treated by several Environmental Medicine doctors throughout the country. I am also aware that I am not the only person complaining about the negative health consequences of smart meters. Why are not these complaints being taken seriously? Why is the growing problem not being investigated? Next, what about the warnings of such agencies such as the World Health Organization, the Food and Drug Administration, the American Cancer Society, and others who warn that further, long-term testing of smart meters is warranted before being deployed for wide-spread use? This was not mentioned in the Initial Decision. Furthermore, as I have stated on numerous occasions and despite my repeated requests, I have *not* been shown in completion the original wording of the full law of Act 120 of 2008 nor of HD SB 220012807 which specifically relates to the legality of whether or not smart meters are in fact mandated by PA law. As was testified by PA Senator Fumo on record, "we did not mandate smart meters, but we made them optional." Furthermore, it has been admitted by PPL by the small excerpt from the law which they

provided that smart meters would only be installed "upon request from a customer that agrees to pay the cost of the smart meter at the time of the request", which is something to which I never agreed. The denial of my numerous requests to read the law in its entirety is, in fact, a violation of the 2008 Right to Know law signed into affect by former PA Governor Rendell.

The second part of this letter is to clarify the misunderstanding of a separate formal complaint filed for the address of 4 North Street, Port Clinton, PA 19549, a property which I own and where my daughter resides. It has erroneously been included with this docket number for our primary residence in Bethlehem and mistakenly entered as an "amendment", although I filed no such amendment. The formal complaint for the Port Clinton property always was to be taken as a separate case, apart from this complaint, as it is a different property in a different location with a completely different situation. This is the reason I filed and sent the paperwork individually. In fact, in a letter to Administrative Law Judge Barnes dated June 15, 2018, I stated that there was a "separate complaint filed for 4 North Street, Port Clinton PA 19549". Also, when I contacted both PPL and Grid One (the company hired to install smart meters on behalf of PPL), both were aware of the complaint regarding the Bethlehem location and both *unaware* of any complaints regarding the Port Clinton address. Any mention of this second address during the hearing was only to illustrate my personal experiences with smart meters. Because of this, I am including and filing for the third time a separate formal complaint for this property.

A copy of this letter has been sent to PPL's lawyer, Attorney Devin Ryan.

Thank you for your time and attention in reviewing this letter.

Sincerely,



Evangeline Hoffman-Lorah

cc: Devin Ryan

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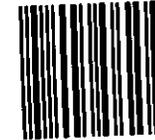
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