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Re: Patricia Dickun v. West Penn Power Company
Docket No. C-2019-3009357

Dear Secretary Chiavetta,

This letter serves as my response to the ANSWER AND NEW MATTER OF WEST PENN POWER COMPANY TO THE COMPLAINT OF PATRICIA DICKUN, dated May 13, 2019.

I will respond to each item of West Penn Power's (hereafter known as WPP) answers as they correspond to the numbered items on my original Formal Complaint Form.

4. Although WPP is accurate in stating that I am not currently experiencing a reliability, safety or quality problem with their service, I wish to continue to not have any problems by blocking the installation of a smart-meter. In fact, a more appropriate choice would have been to choose the box marked "other".

WPP stated, "After reasonable investigation, the Company is without information or knowledge sufficient to form a belief regarding the remaining allegations above and demands proof thereof,..." Any amount of investigation will show an abundance of evidence as to the negative health effects of wireless radiation and citations of relevant research will be provided at hearing. Wireless radio frequencies are not used in my home. All computers, t.v.s, and phones are hardwired. Cell phones are minimally used.

WPP does not have a "belief" about my allegations about smart meter safety. Yet in the next sentence, they claim my allegations as only my "belief". Without stating it, WPP must believe smart meters have no negative health effects. I have no information or knowledge sufficient to form a belief regarding their belief that smart meters are safe and demand proof thereof at hearing.

Page 3 of the WPP response states that I am, "able to refuse installation in accordance with Act House Bill 2240". I am not familiar with that bill. Installation of smart meters is in accordance with Act 129 of 2008 House Bill 2200 passed by the state legislature with the following language: "HB2200: section 2807(f)7(2)

(2) Electric distribution companies shall furnish smart meter technology as follows:

(I) Upon request from a customer that agrees to pay the cost of the smart meter at the time of the request."

I have not requested such action. So when WPP asserts it is following the law with regard to smart meter deployment, I believe they are following the directives of the PUC who's interpretation of the law does not allow for customer choice in meter deployment. The law seems to be an OPT-IN bill rather than an OPT-OUT one. Pennsylvania does not provide residents with the option of what

technology is placed on their personal homes where 41 other states have OPT-OUT policies with regard to smart meters.

5. This relates to my Requested Relief item on the formal complaint in which I stated, "I want to retain my analog, electromechanical meter." The WPP response to this item makes no sense to me and I demand an explanation of their answer.

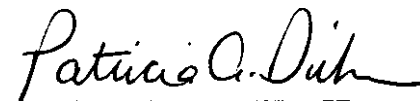
My understanding of the operation of the smart meter is such that it emits RF(radio frequency) radiation every 2-3 minutes every hour of every day, 7 days a week. I am a reasonable person and would accept the smart meter if it produced a signal once per day but it unnecessarily exposes occupants of the home to high levels of dangerous radiation on a continuous basis.

6. Protection from abuse. WPP seems to believe that I answered "yes" to this item and so responded with "denied". I did not assert that I had been granted a Protection From Abuse order. I do not understand the relevancy of this item.

15. WPP stated that, "No previous complaint on this subject was ever received from the Complainant, even though the legislation that required the filing and implementation of the SMP was passed in 2008 and the Company's SMP was approved in 2014."

When I became aware of the plan to deploy smart meters across the country, I sent WPP a letter stating my prohibition of such a device being placed on my property. Unfortunately I did not keep a record of that letter. Regardless, I don't see the relevance of the WPP statement above. By virtue of my filing a Formal Complaint with the PUC, I have broken my silence on the topic. Our silence is our compliance. The general population is treated as herd animals for the most part and are expected to accept whatever rules and regulations are imposed upon them regardless their consequences. I do not consider myself an animal but a human being capable of discerning right from wrong and voicing objection to the wrongs.

Respectfully submitted,

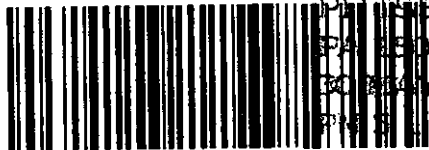


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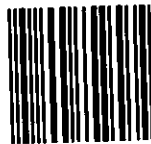


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