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October 9, 2019

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Re: Jon Hribal v. *West Penn Power Company*
Docket No. C-2019-3008050

Dear Mr. Hribal:

I am in receipt of a copy of what appears to be your discovery responses directed to counsel for Respondent.

Please refer to the interim order entered on September 4, 2019, setting forth a litigation schedule in this case. The order provides, in part, as follows:

The Parties shall engage in informal discovery whenever and wherever possible in an attempt to resolve any discovery disputes amicably. 52 Pa.Code § 5.322. If this process fails, the Parties have recourse to the Commission's procedures for formal discovery, as herein modified. 52 Pa.Code §§ 5.321, *et seq.* **The Parties must not send the undersigned Presiding Officer any discovery requests, responses or material or cover letters, unless attached to a motion to compel.** All motions to compel must contain a certification of the Party, or from counsel if represented, regarding the informal discovery undertaken and their efforts to resolve their discovery disputes informally. If a motion to compel fails to contain such certification, the Presiding Officer will contact the Parties and direct them to pursue informal discovery.
(Emphasis Added)

It is not appropriate for me to receive these discovery responses under the circumstances, and accordingly these documents are being returned to you.

I understand you are not represented by an attorney in this proceeding; therefore, I would suggest that you carefully read and comply with the Public Utility Code and the Commission's regulations.

You have the right to obtain legal counsel to represent you in this proceeding if you so choose. If you wish to obtain counsel, I would suggest that you retain counsel as soon as possible and have counsel enter his or her appearance with the Commission, as required by Commission's regulations.

Sincerely,

/s/

Jeffrey A. Watson
Administrative Law Judge

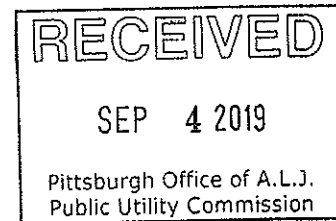
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Answers to interrogatories

1. Yes - The only thing I've found consistent about EMF (magnetic and electric) and RF is the inconsistencies.
 1. Types of meter.
 2. How it's configured
 - a. Amount of time the meter is transmitting
 - b. Power: in watts and frequency in Mhz and Ghz
 - c. Type of booster and how it is configured for power and frequency
 - d. How often the meter transmits to the Company

I found every meter company, every power company, every group for smart meters pays for a study that shows what they want. So I bought my own gaussmeter and the only way I could get consistent readings was to put the meter up against whatever device I wanted to take a reading on. The cell phone, microwave, and a smart meter were all very high, all unsafe limits. I could go on for pages, but this answers to the best of my ability.

2. A. and B. Jon Hribal, age 65. Wife Marsha, age 63 and 2 pets.

C. The health problems are already listed in the complaint and C is not a valid question if the complaint was read.

D. Yes, but there is no way to prove or disprove and as soon as I say it comes from EMF (electric or magnetic) or RF, you will just counter it with asking for proof or say that something else could have caused it! Again, I have answered to the extent possible.

E. Yes, though many health problems may not be evident, so there's no way of knowing what comes from EMF or RF, or age or something else.

F. Me - blood pressure, prostate..

Marsha - blood pressure, high LDL cholesterol.

Pets - just normal maintenance.

G. Me - Dr. Kozak, 2620 Memorial Blvd C, Connellsville, PA 15425. Last visited in November, 2018.

Marsha - Dr. Conn, 2616 Blvd B, Connellsville, PA 15425. Last visit May, 2019.

H. It was never discussed with a doctor.

I. No

3. No one knows how this would cause or contribute except for making already existing problems worse. No one knows what causes the existing problems that I already stated in the complaint.

One more source of RF and EMF - when does it become the straw that breaks the proverbial camel's back!

4. The answer to this question was just answered in #3.

- A. As many documents show, as many different scenarios, as many different findings. It all depends on who's paying for the study!
- B. No
- C. It's all BS because everybody's findings find the answers they want, he who pays for the study gets the findings they want!

5. Yes

6. The meter could catch on fire or explode. As often as the meter is set to send info back to the power company, there will be EMF (electric and magnetic) and RF. The rest are health problems that are already listed on my complaint.

7. A. That's impossible to do because every day there are new documents that supports this position and new ones that support your position.

B. I don't know.

C. It hasn't been written yet.

D. Why do you ask questions that are clearly part of the complaint - did you read the complaint or are the question just boilerplate or are you just waiting for an inconsistency by asking the same questions you already have the answer to.

E. I worked for the power company for over 25 years as stated in the complaint.

8. Yes,

- A. HD audio Advanced American Telephone. Energy Star Model C182214 is all the information I could find on the 2 phones.

9. Yes

- A. Samsung Galaxy S5 powered by Android
- B. Yes
- C. 2
- D. Same as mine above.

10. No

11. Yes

- A. Wherever my wife puts it.

12. Yes

- A. In the dining room

13. Yes - my complaint clearly states that.

14. Directly taken from my complaint:

There are security risks. Hackers or other companies could intercept the signal. The power companies could sell your information for profit, they could also charge higher rates for peak demand that could cause a disproportionate financial hardship on the poor. The information gathered from smart meters could force consumers to purchase specific appliances that the power company, PA PUC, or the government considers to be the most efficient. Consumers could be forced to keep their thermostats set at a given temperature, creating a hardship to the poor and elderly. The government could require power companies to give up your information or cut power on the government's demand!

15. A. No documents - common sense and what is commonly accepted or known.

B. N/A

C. I explained it to you in #14.

D. Yes, again - I worked for West Penn Power Co. for over 25 years.

E. All the work and learned experience of a lifetime is where common sense comes from.

16. No! As of August 2019, there is still an analog meter.

17. That depends on what meter West Penn Power buys and how they're set up. How often the meter sends back information depends on the meter manufacturer and the power company. The power and frequency depends on what the power company prefers. The signal from the antenna, house wiring, grounding systems of both the power companies and customers, power lines, etc, then the use of a booster if necessary. There are many other ways smart meters send signal to the company (the meters intercommunicate with each other, which could have them communicating all the time).

18. A. None at this time - if the meter isn't compatible with the new provider.

B. it depends on what becomes available at the time.

C. It depends on how West Penn Power sets it up. Meters may not be compatible with other suppliers. Can other companies access information direct from the meter or will West Penn Power send this information to the billing party? More steps, more time. Will West Penn Power Company be receptive to other providers?

19. A. None at this time.

B. It depends on what becomes available at the time.

C. It's very simple - the lower the power of the signal - closer and more boosters are needed. Boosters put out much higher RF and possible EMF than the smart meters, depending on how the company sets the frequency and wattage.

D. A booster picks up signals from the meter and sends a greater gain of non directional RF and possible EMF that will reach the power company receiver.

E. That depends on how close to people they are, people walking or working nearby, near roads, or homes or how long people are exposed to the signal, and how strong the signal, and the RF frequency being used.

20. A. Yes.

B. If the meter isn't compatible with the supplier you chose, how will your supplier get this information and if the meter that the consumer already paid for has to be replaced to communicate with the new supplier - who pays for that?

C. No documents at this time.

D. Not at this time.

E. This is answered in B.

21. A. WHO's Electromagnetic Fields and Public Health,; Mobile phones.

B. Maybe

C. See A.

22. A. None

B. N/A

C. Being in close proximity to the meter, grounding systems, lines, any part of the system that may radiate this signal and then going home to be exposed again.

23. A. West Penn Power Company

B. When I was working for West Penn Power, I didn't know of the Company having any smart meters. No, I didn't work directly with smart meters.

C. N/A

24. EMF and RF are my serious problems. Different people have higher and lower reactions to radiation no matter what kind it is.

A. No one could because I don't know how long smart meters have been used in the areas I've been in. West Penn Power Company has no warnings anywhere that I know of to warn the public.

B. N/A

C. There are too many variables to be specific. Every person is different, the varying microwave frequencies, the power of said frequencies, the way the earth conducts when the meter is hooked to the socket or to the wires hooked to the building. Even West Penn Power wires become part of the antenna and puts anybody or anything in the path of EMF or RF.

1. Documents aren't necessary, this is common sense - second nature known as fact.

2. N/A - answered above

3. N/A - answered above.

25. A. Every day news states it as fact.

- B. N/A
- C. N/A

26. This statement is not necessarily backed by documents because it is common knowledge . .

- A. None
- B. N/A
- C. Done, in my statement above.

27. A. Agenda 21 and 2030 Act 129 is a product of the United Nations' 1992 Agenda 21 and 2015 Agenda 2030.

B. The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) are a collection of 17 global goals set by the UN General Assembly in 2015 for the year 2030. Read it and see how it affects our US and PA Constitution, Bill of Rights, and even our Declaration of Independence. This takes the United States to a one world government.

28. All the issues stated in the PA PUC formal complaint and whatever you bring up during the proceedings.

29. I don't understand the question well enough to respond.

30. If I don't understand #28, how can I answer #29 and #30 In II. Motion to Compel #11, you state that, The information sought here by the Company is relatively simple and straightforward. Not to me, it seems to me you keep asking the same question over and over worded differently to get different answers to discredit or show inconsistencies in the answers. I hope that Judge Watson understands that I'm only interested in the actual truth, not just winning a case, and educating people about the dangers.

31. A - F. This metering system as I know it is by Itron. I'm asking for a witness from Itron that understands the metering so I can ask them questions related to my complaint.

32. That would be up to West Penn Power Co.

33. A. Served an apprenticeship as a lineman/serviceman with West Penn Power Company. After finishing my apprenticeship (I don't know the exact date) I became a journeyman lineman/serviceman who had ongoing training and experience until my retirement in 2008.

34. Relevant to this complaint.

- A. West Penn Power Company, Rt 982 Connellsville, Pa
- B. Lineman, serviceman, lead lineman
- C. January 1983 through September 2008.
- D. Way too many things to list all covered in the titles of my jobs. Just some of my duties were, line work, including switching, grounding, troubleshooting, paper and computer work, running crews, working any place doing any jobs needed.

35 - 45. I have no documentation.

40. I do not get bills from my cellular telephone provider because it is a prepaid plan.

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