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Just say no to 'smart meters'

This is a letter to the people of Oliver carrying on from the letter written by Judy Nicholas regarding "smart meters." I am forwarding information from the Public Health Awareness Group.

The Clean Energy Act of May 2010 mandates BC Hydro replace every conventional electric meter with a smart meter by 2012. Also, section 17 specifies installation may be done "without the consent of the homeowner" and known as a public health hazard.

Obviously our government has failed to look into this health problem. A percentage of people are severely sensi-

tive to electromagnetic radiation.

Some of the health symptoms from smart meters are dizziness, ear pressure, tinnitus, headaches, memory problems, weakness, fatigue, nausea, vomiting, heart problems and seizures.

I could go on to more severe distresses but frankly it's just too scary.
Also, Awareness Public Health quotes "Lawsuits in Cali-

fornia and Texas, many of the areas that have the smart meters, are now trying to rid their areas of the smart meters and return to the original meters.

I am surprised and shocked at how far the smart meter had progressed before realization of the health hazards. So I suggest we make the power of the pen work for us. All

Peer contacts: BC Utilities commission at 604-660-4700

or email complaints @ bcuc.com Politicians: Rich Coleman at EMPR>Minister@gov.bc.ca; NDP Energy Critic Doug Donaldson at doug.donaldson. mia@lcg.bc.ca

You can also contact Oliver Town Council at 250-485-6200

Let the government know that you do not want a wireless meter

Not just humans but the bees, a neccessity to our area, are a species easily destroyed.

Agnes Sutherland, Oliver

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Keep your home free of 'smart meter' hazards

Editor, Oliver Chronicle:

The World Health Organization (WHO) has released a report in the past few weeks that states that people need to exercise caution with cell phones and similar wireless devices.

FortisBC is wanting to remove our safe power meters and replace them with the newer wireless meters that will transmit radiation waves throughout our homes every three minutes day and night. These impulses will read all your power use as it happens. They will know when you use

your appliances.
The problem is this heavy load of electricity may be harmful to the body.
I am concerned that many people will be affected by this reaction to electricity. I personally know many people between the age of 30-55 who have become electrically sensitive as a reaction to electrical devices and to the environment at their workplace. Heavy exposure to cellphones, computers, large electrical panels, large amounts of flourescent lights or musical sound equipment have been known to force people to leave their professions.

The problem is that this heavy load of electricity may be harmful to the body. When you have a bad viral infection such as a bad flu or cold, your immune system is compromised and your normal resistance to electricity is low. You may develop insomnia, headaches, dizziness, or heart palpitations.

Anyone can become reactive at these times if they live or work in a high electrical environment.

For more information on this Google swedish workers electrical sensitivity.

California and Ontario have had these

smart meters for a couple of years and because of many complaints of health problems, security issues and inaccurate meter reading are starting an opt-out program. Quebec has refused to install the new me-

Fortis should learn from these problems with the smart meters in these other areas. Now, I am very concerned that because of the heavy use of cellphones, wireless Internet (WiFi) and maybe radiating power meters, there will be a big increase in the number of people becoming reactive to electricity in their own home. Your home will now be a high electrical environment. The first symptoms are insomnia and increased headaches.

Unless you are reacting moderately or severely, you won't know what is causing these symptoms. Many people suffer from insomnia and I suspect that a large number of workers are reacting to their computers, cellphone or their environment and don't know what is causing their problem.

These symptoms plus irregular heart beats have also been reported in California and Ontario.

There is a lot of information available from many highly respected experts. If you Google dan hirsche/radiation or dr.magda havas/radiation you will find videos where they make comments on these meters.

Electrical sensitivity is recognized off the record by WCB and BC Hydro. A medical specialist in Vancouver who had worked for WCB for eight years was reported to have said that WCB knows all about this condition and all the symptoms.

I know that many exposed workers have big files with WCB but as yet have not been

They should be educating workers how to protect themselves. FortisBC has not told us anything about their plan to install these powerful meters in our homes and that we won't have a choice.

This plan has been a project for a long time but nothing has been said in their last three newsletters that we get with our statement.

I am not aware of any previous meetings avilable to the public. Fortis will be applying to the BC Utilities Commission in July for permission to put the new meters into our homes.

I personally feel we should keep our homes as electrically clean as possible for our health and the health of all future generations. We still have a choice with the smart meter project.

Please attend the Fortis public meeting near you.

Our closest meeting will happen on June 22 in Osoyoos at the Sonora Community Centre. The time of this public open house will be from 6-8:30 p.m.

If you are just getting home from work or eating dinner, plan to come at 7 p.m. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please email or write to Fortis at fbcami@fortis. bc.com or write to: FortisB, Suite100 - 1975 Springfield Road, Kelowna, BC V1Y 7V7

Judy Nicholas, Oliver







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