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I jumped down the rabbit hole about a year and a half ago when the power company where we lived in Michigan left a notice on our doorstep that the following week they would be installing a new electric meter on our home—a meter that would allow them to check our usage remotely and would allow us to see our daily/hourly usage online. I'll be honest that I didn't know the first thing about these new meters. As parents we had limited screen time for our children on things such as the tv, computer, iPad, electronic educational games, etc., but we really didn't know much about these devices and whether or not they were safe for our kids. We limited screen time because we understand the impact it could have on their development and because we believed that children best learn through real life experiences, not tv, computers, games, etc.

Once I started reading about the new meters, and the lack of data that was available to us as consumers, I was a bit skeptical if I wanted this new meter on our home.....especially since the meter was located right outside one of our children's bedrooms. As I searched for information, I soon found that there had been a lot of research done on electromagnetic radiation in the last 30 years..... but that this research had been AFTER the FCC had last updated their exposure limits for radiation from such devices. It was plain to see that FCC standards were out of date and that they hadn't kept up with how technology has been growing and the fact that all these devices can communicate with each other, and add to the amount of radiation that is given off from multiple devices in and around a home and cause multiple health issues especially in children.

My search for information on electromagnetic radiation did not stop there I was curious what else I was not aware of as far as dangers in and around my home. Once you become a parent..... these issues become more of a concern.

I began learning about the dangers of wi-fi, especially on developing minds of children....so we started taking precautions in our home.....but then we realized that there were many things WE WERE NOT IN CONTROL OF, such as cell towers, neighboring smart meters, neighbors wi-fi, cell phones around the kids at school and church, wi-fi hot spots, etc., ALL SO THAT OUR DESIRE FOR BIGGER AND BETTER COULD BE SATISFIED.

Wireless Health Effects: As a family when we turned our wireless off at nighttime, we found that our family was sleeping better at night..... when we eventually switched

our home wireless internet connection to ethernet we found that our moods were better, there were less attention issues in our children and less headaches for myself.

I have a friend in South Dakota who is 31 years old.....a father of two young children, who just this last year was diagnosed with a glioblastoma, a cancer of the brain stem, that is RARE to see in adults.....he has a cell tower within 100 feet of his home.....coincidence.....i think not. It would have been great to have him here today to testify.....share his story, but instead him and his wife are flying across the US trying to save his life.....he's at the end and due to the fact that they could not get a biopsy his treatment options in clinical trials is slim to none. He's currently in a wheelchair and just two weeks ago he could still do most things for himself.....now he needs help with almost all daily living tasks.

I'm here today to advocate on behalf of him.....on behalf of my children and my family.....on behalf of all people who have not GIVEN CONSENT TO BE RADIATED CONSTANTLY---who have no way to mitigate the effects of cell towers, Wi-Fi hot spots, smart meters, etc. because they have no choice in where these are put.

Our elected officials need to be aware of the detrimental effects of electromagnetic and radiofrequency radiation.....and stand up for their constituents, to protect the public....as that is one of the prime duties of an elected official.

I'm disappointed in our Senator Fischer and Senator Thune of South Dakota, where I was born and raised, and a resident for 36 years of my life....for their efforts to move forward with S. 88 and 19.....which would place massive amounts of radiation emitting devices throughout residential areas.....with no regards to the impact it would have on the health of those who reside there.

It's time to stop hiding behind outdated FCC standards.....it's time to use the intellect and wisdom GOD has given each and every one of you.....to stand up for what is right.....to fight.....to be a voice for and of the people of Nebraska.

Thank you.

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