

Comments to FCC on Notice of Inquiry, ET Docket No. 13-84
To the FCC – COMPLAINT!

We are without electricity after over 12 weeks of having been wrongly disconnected by Central Hudson. Keep in mind, there was no effort on behalf of Central Hudson, prior to them coming to clip our wires at the pole, right in front of me, to resolve this issue – even after they had been sent numerous, certified, return receipt documents, indicating why we absolutely must have our analog meter restored and giving them over 2 months to do so. Even after knowing that I had gotten very ill from the smart meter (YES, this IS what the meter they had our home was – no matter how much they deny it!) and that I was then hospitalized for 2 days standing 8 feet from that meter and diagnosed with a mini stroke – even though ALL my tests – an EEG, an MRI, a CATScan, and scanning my heart arteries and major arteries in the throat area – were all 100% CLEAR! I was told by the doctors that they were amazed that someone my age was in such good health – AND YET, I had a mini stroke standing 8 feet from that meter and upon being released, was told that I am now at HIGH RISK of a full blown stroke!

The smart meter was installed without Central Hudson ever having told us they would install it, without Central Hudson educating us about the meter, and without Central Hudson ever asking us if they could install a radiating device on our home. The doctors at the hospital also told me that after leaving the hospital I was now at high risk of having a full blown stroke! **THIS IS WHY WE WERE FORCED TO TAKE THINGS INTO OUR OWN HANDS AND REMOVE THE METER – 100% SELF DEFENSE – AFTER HAVING CENTRAL HUDSON IGNORE OUR REQUESTS FOR OVER 2 MONTHS – ONLY THEN DID WE REPLACE THEIR RADIATING SMART METER WITH A BRAND NEW, SAFE, ZEROED OUT, CALIBRATED GE ANALOG METER!** We video taped the replacement, zooming in on the numbers so that they could not accuse us of stealing electricity, and we zoomed in on the analog meter wheel turning and everything working perfectly. We also reminded them that we were the ONLY people on our block with a smart meter, and thus it would not be an inconvenience for them to read the meter as they already had to come down our block to read our neighbors meters. We then sent their smart meter, the DVD and a final letter to both the President and the CEO of Central Hudson. This was on May 16th. On May 20th, Central Hudson sent someone to our home, without any notice, and without any explanation, and the worker clipped our wires at the pole with a big pair of clippers, right in front of me. My neighbor was a witness.

We are well aware that both Central Hudson and our NY PSC (the organization that is **supposed to be** assisting customers in resolving issues with the utility company!) tell your office and EVERYONE who inquires, that the meters they are installing are “not smart meters” (a false statement) and that they are “safe” (another false statement). We can prove to you this is false information.

We know that our NY PSC and Central Hudson claim we had an “ERT” meter and that it is not a “smart meter”. And yes, even though they both say “there are no smart meters in the state of new york” – this is a false statement. They can change the name of the meter, and try to use all kinds of “smoke screens and mirrors” to make it look like it is not a smart meter, but it is – without a doubt – a smart meter or **at the very least**, a meter that is able to be converted to a smart meter at any time with a flick of a switch or a minor revision. The meter on our home, regardless of what they want to call it, was a microwave pulsing meter, which emitted harmful EMR every 14 seconds or so, 24/7!!! They want these meters on every home and business and they want it done fast. **This is happening simultaneously with utility companies across our nation – and in other countries as well.** There are people fighting this all over the world! **This fact alone SHOULD cause a HUGE red flag of concern to be raised in the minds of those who have the people's interest at heart.**

You should know that the meters they say are “safe”, what they are now calling “ERT meters” (by the way, the actual meter used to have the words “Smart Meter” on them – until they discovered people were on to them and then they started having the manufactures remove those two words) – broadcast pulsing microwave EMF radiation, and thus cause negative health effects – no matter what they call them – no matter what false statements they make!

We have spoken with 5 different employees in Smart Meter departments of the manufacturers of these meters (GE and Landis+Gyr) and they have told us (in writing) that the model number we had on our home (GE I-210) is, in fact, a Smart Meter. It is on their website as well. We asked **SPECIFICALLY** if our model/make of meter (GE I-210) would **NOT** be called a smart meter and was whether it would actually be referred to as an ERT meter – and a GE smart meter department employee told us, “No, that is definitely a smart meter – not an ERT meter. It has an ERT module in it, but it is definitely a smart meter!” GE's OWN WEBSITE states they are Smart Meters!!!

We were told that it is “illegal to install Smart Meters in the State of New York” by Central Hudson AND by the NY PSC. **If this is true, this issue should be deemed urgent and of top priority.**

Neither the NY Public Service Commission nor Central Hudson (nor anyone else) has the right to force us or ANYONE to live with these emissions in our living spaces nor do they have the right to deny us a basic human right and vital need, in this case electricity, because we won't comply with the NY Public Service Commission's authorization of these unsafe, not UL approved, unlawful pulsing microwave ERT meter being placed on our home. Further, we have every right to have our electricity restored, contrary to what the NY PSC states - that we “did something wrong” by replacing a radiating, pulsing microwave meter ourselves with a safe, analog meter.

For your information, IT IS A LAW that a person 62 or over cannot have their electricity shut off – and my significant other, Stephen Romine, is 62 years of age. It also states that the electric company **MUST** give you prior notice – which they did not. When this was pointed out to the NY PSC, they simply “changed the rules” and stated that because we took the smart meter off the home ourselves that these laws do not apply to us.

THE LAW STATES AS FOLLOWS:

Central Hudson's procedures and safeguards work and how you can contact us. In addition, it explains the rights you are entitled to as a residential Central Hudson customer under the New York State Public Service Commission Rules and the Home Energy Fair Practices Act (HEFPA).

Protections for Utility Customers

Residential gas, electric, and steam consumers are protected by the Home Energy Fair Practices Act (HEFPA), also known as "The Utility Consumers' Bill of Rights." **The law went into effect in 1981** and helps keep gas, electric and steam service on. It establishes, among other rights, protections against shutoffs, restrictions on deposits and the right to a payment plan. Here are some highlights of the **Home Energy Fair Practices Act**.

Special Protections for Disabled or Elderly Consumers - Customers who are elderly, blind or disabled:

No utility shall terminate, disconnect or suspend or refuse to restore service where a residential customer is known to or identified to the utility to be blind, disabled or 62 years of age or older...

Gas, Electric and Steam Customers

Personal Contact Before Shutoff

Your utility company must call or, if they can't reach you, make a personal visit to your home 72 hours before a scheduled shutoff and/or to try to work out a payment plan.

It is a **known fact** as demonstrated by thousands of military reports done since the 1930's, that the effects of low level, pulsing, microwave radiation on the human being is harmful and can cause an array of negative health effects. These reports were done in the development of pulsing microwave weapons and have all been declassified for everyone to read. **You can find them easily online.** Note that these documents state “100% of the population will be affected by **LOW LEVEL PULSING MICROWAVE RADIATION!**”

It is a **known fact** that this pulsing microwave radiation – no matter how “low level” they claim it is – causes all kinds of ill health affects. Look at the ABSOLUTE PROOF we are providing you. The false statements made indicating these meters are “safe” is **NOT** accurate and based upon research that was done in the 1970's. I understand your husband is a physicist – so he surely must know of The BioInitiative Report 2012, a recent 1500 page report, prepared by **29 authors from ten countries, ten holding medical degrees (MDs), 21 PhDs, and three MsC, MA or MPHs**. Among the authors are three former presidents of the Bio-Electromagnetic Society, and five full members of BEMS. This document makes it clear that the standards that our utility companies and our PSC are deeming “safe” are grossly outdated and no longer anywhere close to being “safe”. Almost all other countries have updated their standards to meet today's research and these standards are MUCH lower than the USA. In the USA that number is **600-1000** and in other countries that number is **10** – a drastic and shocking difference in terms of safe levels determined, wouldn't you say?

There is NO scientific data to determine if there is a safe RF exposure level regarding its **non-thermal** effects! **Governmental agencies for protecting public health and safety should be much more vigilant towards involuntary environmental exposures!**

Below we have provided you with links that will be extremely informative and crucial for you to look at carefully. Please take the time to look at each link.

Please take some time to look at the following – they are each extremely educational and informative:

- 1) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gR8tLAXhjl> If you cannot find with this link, go to YouTube and type in the search box, "**Face to Face with Smart Meters**". A woman from Canada speaks about the fact that our World Health Organization **IS** recognizing RF as Class B2 Carcinogen, ETC.
- 2) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c-F3nf47kAs> If you cannot find with this link, go to YouTube and type in the search box, "**National Day Of Action Against Smart Meters with Jerry Flynn**" Jerry Flynn – a retired Navy man who worked for over 20 years in EMF / EMR warfare technologies. Here he speaks directly to the Smart Meter issue and addresses point by point concerns – with absolute PROOF to back it up!
- 3) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n7L21XOC2wA> - If you cannot find with this link, go to YouTube and type in the search box, "**Public Health Physician Warns of Smart Meters...**" Dr. David O. Carpenter – a Harvard Medical School-trained physician who headed up the New York State Dept. of Public Health for 18 years before becoming Dean of the School of Public Health at the University of Albany, NY, where he currently is the Director of the Institute for Health and the Environment.
- 4) <http://www.electrosmogprevention.org/public-health-alert/smart-meters-radiation-exposure-up-to-160-times-more-than-cell-phones-hirsch/> Scroll down the page to watch the video with Hirsch and what he has to say. A hard copy of his report is also enclosed.
- 5) <http://www.smartmeterdangers.org> Please go to this site and click on all links on first page in order to educate yourselves!
- 6) <http://www.bioinitiative.org> **** PRIORITY – important information on Health issues.**

Please note and be aware, that The BioInitiative Report 2012 is 1500 pages in length. This report is based upon 1800 new studies. The Bio Initiative 2012 Report has been prepared by **29 authors from ten countries, ten holding medical degrees (MDs), 21 PhDs, and three MsC, MA or MPHs**. Among the authors are three former presidents of the Bioelectromagnetics Society, and five full members of BEMS.

Dr. David O Carpenter, MD, USA is one of the authors of the Bio Initiative Report 2012– and he is located in

Albany, New York. Dr. Carpenter is a public health physician whose current position is Director of the Institute for Health and the Environment at the University at Albany, as well as Professor of Environmental Health Sciences within the School of Public Health at the University at Albany.

That having been said, and in an effort to save you time, we are providing you with what we feel are key areas to read within that report. **Of course, you need not limit yourself to our suggestions.**

Our suggested reading of the BioInitiative Report are as follows:

SECTION 4 – Evidence for Inadequacy of the Standards:

Chapter II: USGAO (Government Accounting Office Report of 2012)

Chapter III: International Agency for Research on Cancer - World Health Organization Classifies Radio Frequency Radiation as 2B Possible Human Carcinogen

Chapter V: President's Cancer Panel Report of 2010

Chapter IX: European Union Treaty Article 174

Summary: **Please read the entire Summary – it holds a wealth of knowledge**

Contrary to what Central Hudson is telling their customers and the press, we have measured these meters all over Woodstock, NY (where we live) and they **do, in fact, emit radiation spikes about every 14 seconds** or so – **not** what Central Hudson employees are stating – which is “4-6 times per day” nor “several seconds once or twice a month” (as noted in a Letter to the Editor – April 18th, 2013 – from the Senior Vice President of Central Hudson, in our local Woodstock Times newspaper).

Please look at the PSC hearing in Sacramento, where the utility company there (SMUD) was stating this exact same false statements about this same issue – telling their customers that the radiation spikes only occurred 4-6 times per day (or something close to this number) and when they were under oath, in front of a judge, they had to admit the truth – the meters spiked radiation over 13,000 times per day. SMUD was then ordered to take every digital meter off every home and business in Sacramento and replace them with safe, analog meters – if the customer decided to take advantage of the new Opt Out program. SMUD was given 30 days to do this. **At the very LEAST, the state of New York should have an Opt Out program for it's customers!** This was part of a bill that got squashed before it made it through the entire system. Please look this up!

The ERT meters that Central Hudson claims are “safe” also radiate at **higher than safe levels** and they do so when ever the spiking occurs 24/7 – every 14 seconds or so. So even though Central Hudson is trying to pull the wool over the eyes of their customers, we know the truth about the supposed “safe” ERT meters that they have begun to install after the customers started to realize they were installing Smart Meters. **IN FACT, we heard directly from a Central Hudson employee, who installs the meters, that he was told to “install an ERT meter when the customer complains about a Smart Meter being installed” and that “the agenda is to have these broadcasting two way communication meters (ALL which emit radiation spikes OFTEN on 24/7 basis) on every home and business by the end of the year”!**

We let Central Hudson know from the beginning that there is someone sick in our home and that we wanted our analog meter to be restored. We let them know again – after getting no response – that that same person was hospitalized for 2 days. We did our best in many attempts to get **Central Hudson to replace the Smart Meter with a safe, Analog Meter**, and received attempts to contact us and no attempts of resolution. When I was released from the hospital, the hospital informed us that I was now at **high risk for a full on, debilitating stroke. We simply could not take that risk by leaving the Smart Meter on our home!** We explained this to Central Hudson. We believe that the PSC and Central Hudson created an “unsafe situation” on, around and within our home when they installed a pulsing, microwave meter (without our consent or knowledge) and that

we were the recipients of that harm – contrary to their conclusions that we were the ones who created an unsafe situation by removing the meter from our home. We were under severe amounts of pressure with a threat of a full blown stroke on the horizon if we did not remove that smart meter from our home. We acted in self defense – period.

Please take some time to find and read the below documentation for your perusal – we urge you to read them thoroughly:

- Getting Smart About the Smart Grid
- The Cindy Sage Report
- The BioInitiative Report of 2012
- The AAEM information on this issue

Central Hudson (“CH”) did **finally** contact us AFTER cutting our wires (no surprise there) – to offer to restore our power IF we paid them an **extortion fee of \$385** and IF we would allow them to **install one of their ERT meters** - which also radiates every 14-30 seconds – pulsing, microwave radiation!

We informed CH the **only** meter we could accept would be, **as stated from day one**, is an **analog meter**.

CH told us that they did not have the analog meters anymore, even though we had no trouble whatsoever ordering a brand new analog meter online!

We informed CH we have a **brand new analog meter on our home and that we ordered it very easily online** and that **IF certification and safety were the issue**, then we would happily offer to have CH or the NY PSC come to our home and certify this existing meter, which was working perfectly before they cut our wires.

CH and the NY PSC said they could not do that with no further explanation provided.

We have asked to have a true analog meter restored to our property - period. We have been very specific and said that we would **not** and **cannot**, (**due to health risks that we made crystal clear to them over the past 2 months**), accept any meter that has any of the following:

- SMPS, Switch Mode Power Supply
- RF Transmitter or transmissions
- Antenna
- PC printed circuit board
- Interface port for upload or download of data

We also required a clear “yes” or “no” answer as to whether or not Central Hudson’s analog meter meets the above requirements from the manufacturer and that includes the exact make and model of the meter selected by Central Hudson. We told them that we would be checking the meter they installed for radiation with our brand new, Megahertz Solutions, high frequency analyzer.

Based upon the evidence demonstrated in documentation and links provided herein, we believe that we have a right to **NOT** have a radiating emitting device on our home of any kind. There is **no** doubt that EMF radiation has adverse health effects, as proven in above research and documentation supplied. There is **no doubt** that adverse health affects were incurred by two individuals, due to the smart meter installed – myself and my significant other, Steve Romine.

Raji (Nicole) Nevin: Adverse health affects were initially dizziness, spiking headaches, severe vertigo, nausea and brain fog. On May 7th, mini-stroke and hospitalized for 2 days - still not fully recovered from this incident.

Stephen Romine: Adverse health affects were a persistent and severe neck pain, due to inflammation, requiring him to take a pain killer (Advil) ongoing and daily, twice per day. Since the smart meter was removed, the neck pain is no longer present and he is no longer is taking any pain killers.

We believe that we are not be required to live in our own home with a class b2 carcinogen being broadcasting out into our front yard or through our electrical wiring. Once again, we state the resolution we are seeking from our NY PSC and Central Hudson – and have been seeking all along – is that we will only accept a safe, analog meter, per the above list of qualifications, as is our constitutional right, as citizens of the USA.

We do not want, nor will we accept, a pulsing, microwave radiation meter in our living space and we have every right to refuse a meter that emits pulsing microwave radiation from being installed on our home!

NO AMOUNT OF REGULATORY JARGON CAN DENY OUR RIGHT TO BE FREE FROM A POSSIBLE CLASS 2 B CARCINOGEN IN AND AROUND OUR HOME. FURTHER, WE HAVE A CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO DEFEND OURSELVES FROM ANY HARM – WHICH IS EXACTLY WHAT WE DID IN REMOVING THAT METER FROM OUR HOME!

The NY PSC and Central Hudson are demanding that we be forced to live with a possible class 2B carcinogen, while the President's Cancer Panel of 2010 is telling us to reduce our EMF exposure. The problem here is the President's Cancer Panel of 2010 and the World Health Organization have made their declarations AFTER the utility companies began installing these pulsing microwave meters. In spite of this truth, neither the NY PSC and Central Hudson want to **do the right thing** and make the appropriate changes in accordance with the latest Governmental declarations regarding low level pulsing microwave radiation and it's ill health affects on human beings! IF CENTRAL HUDSON CAN GUARANTEE IN WRITING AND ACTUALLY PROVE TO US (they should be held accountable and provide proof – just as we are being held accountable), THAT THEIR ERT METER DOES NOT BROADCAST EMF RADIATION INTO THE LIVING SPACE OF THE HOME AND OUTSIDE IN OUR FRONT YARD, THEN WE WILL CONSIDER ACCEPTING ANOTHER TYPE OF METER FROM THEM. **The truth is, no matter what name they give the meters they are installing and no matter how much they make false statements, Central Hudson and the PSC know that these meters DO, in fact, broadcast low level, pulsing radiation.** Otherwise, they would be able to provide the facts to us and to the entire world that these meters they are installing, in fact (according to their false statements) do **NOT** have any ill health affects. **The fact is, to date, they have not provided this proof, because they cannot! Their false statements are NOT proof and should not simply be accepted as such!**

There should be an immediate moratorium on the smart meter technology pending a series of independent hearings on the problems that have been identified. There needs to be a National and International halt to these meters being installed. We need further investigations into the safety of these meters! The National Institutes of Health have found changes in neurological chemistry because of exposure to wireless. These smart meters are what seem to be tipping the scale on the unsafe levels of EMF. There are hundreds of peer reviewed articles that show impacts on human health and behavior at levels far below what the FCC guidelines are finding permissible. At the VERY LEAST, we need an Opt Out program in the state of New York, just as they have done in cities in California and Maine and other states!

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