

From: Paula Pearce <glenoaks@sonic.net>
Subject: **Concerns about ill-health effects of Smart Meters**
Date: January 28, 2011 1:12:17 PM PST
To: ccst@ccst.us

Dear Council,

Although it has been determined by your study that the "thermal" effects of the Smart Meters is below the minimum safety limits. This study does not delve into the other possible health effects of these radio frequencies that many people complain that they suffer from. My personal concern is that my electric meter and gas meter are extremely close to my bed. My electric meter is on the other side of the wall of the head of my bed. If my meter is changed to the Smart Meter, I will be exposed to frequency emissions at a minimum of 8 to 10 radio frequency exposures per night. That adds up to 3,650 exposures per year at close range. To the people who are stating that these meters are safe, I challenge them to have the same number of exposures at the same proximity each year. I have noticed on apartment complexes that one exterior wall can contain up to 8 or more of these meters and it makes me concerned for the occupants especially the children and infants therein.

Another concern of ours is the exposure from these meters effecting the health and well-being of the birds, furry creatures and insects especially the pollinators that are so important for our food source.

We must remember in the not so distant past, we used DDT as a wonder pesticide (declared safe at the time) and more recently we added MTBE to our gasoline and it has been proven to contaminate our drinking water supplies. Let us err on the side of caution to prevent another of these catastrophes.

Thank you for taking our comments and hopefully you can use them to find a safe solution.

Sincerely,

Jeff and Paula Pearce
Sebatopol, CA. 95472