RESOLUTION NO. __- ___ C.S.

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY
DEMANDING PG&E HALT THE INSTALLATION AND ACTIVATION OF
SMARTMETERS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT WITHIN THE CITY OF MONTEREY

WHEREAS, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) is now installing SmartMeters in Central and Northern California and will be installing these meters within the City; and

WHEREAS, concerns about the impact and accuracy of SmartMeters have been raised at public hearings for the City of Monterey; and

WHEREAS, major problems with SmartMeters in California have been brought to the attention of the City Council of the City of Monterey, including:

• The flow of gas and electricity into homes discloses private detailed information. SmartMeters represent a new form of technology that relays detailed hitherto confidential information reflecting the times and amounts of electrical power used without adequately protecting that data from being accessed by unauthorized persons and as such pose an unreasonable intrusion into resident's privacy and security interests;

• Significant health questions have been raised by constituents concerning the increased electromagnetic frequency radiation (EMF) emitted by the wireless technology in SmartMeters, which will be in every house, apartment, and business, thereby adding additional man-made EMF to our environment around the clock to the already existing EMF from utility poles, individual meters and telephone poles;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY that it hereby resolves as follows: The City Council demands PG&E immediately halt the installation and activation of SmartMeters on any and all homes, apartments, condominiums, or businesses of any type, within the City of Monterey, and no equipment related to Smart Meters be installed in, on, or above any public street or public right-of-way within the City of Monterey until concerns regarding safety of the SmartMeters is addressed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council finds that freedom of choice is an important fundamental right of the citizens of the City of Monterey. The lack of an opt-out provision in the current PG&E SmartMeter Program is unacceptable. Should PG&E continue to pursue the SmartMeter Program within the City of Monterey, Council demands that PG&E respects the will of those residents who prefer to opt-out of the program, and remove the existing SmartMeters from houses of residents who do not want them.
PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY this _____ day of ________, 2011, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: 
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: 
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: 
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: 

APPROVED: 

ATTEST: 

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Mayor of said City

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City Clerk thereof