



council memorandum

city of san luis obispo, administration department

DATE: June 3, 2011

TO: City Council

BY: Michael Codron, Acting Assistant City Manager

VIA: Katie Lichtig, City Manager *KL*

SUBJECT: RED FILE – AGENDA ITEM C-9, JUNE 7, 2011, CITY COUNCIL
 UPDATED LETTER TO CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Staff drafted an earlier version of the letter of support for improved opt out options for SmartMeters to Pacific Gas and Electric. It was brought to Staff's attention that the letter would be more appropriately addressed to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). The attached letter is the updated and correctly addressed version, directed to the CPUC.

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 – MEETING AGENDA
 DATE 6/7/11 ITEM # C9

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June 7, 2011

Michael R. Peevey, President
California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102

Subject: SmartMeter Installation in City of San Luis Obispo

Dear Mr. Peevey,

The City Council of San Luis Obispo requests PG&E immediately suspend the installation of SmartMeters in the City of San Luis Obispo until an opt out procedure is finalized and made available to the public.

This request is made pursuant to numerous public expressions of concern regarding health, privacy, safety, and environmental risks associated with SmartMeter technology.

While PG&E has proposed to CPUC to offer customers the option to pay \$250 upfront and \$20 per month to have their SmartMeter radio transmitter deactivated, our collective desire is for PG&E to develop and implement a zero-cost option by which San Luis Obispo residents may either opt out of SmartMeter installation or request deactivation of the radio transmitter. Additionally, individuals moving into a residence with an existing SmartMeter should have the option to request the SmartMeter be uninstalled and replaced with an analog meter.

We appreciate your immediate attention to this matter and your effort to ensure the residents of San Luis Obispo may continue to thrive in a healthy and safe environment.

Sincerely,

Jan Howell Marx, Mayor
City of San Luis Obispo

Cc:
Vice Mayor John Ashbaugh
Councilmember Dan Carpenter
Councilmember Andrew Carter
Councilmember Kathy Smith