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### **Addendum to Rebuttal Of Joint Utilities Response**

Responding to Attorney Paul Colbert's statement "the evidence does not support their claims" referring to power customers who believe that electromagnetic (EMF) radiation causes biological harm and health problems. This addendum will lay out the research that demonstrates the detriment to ones health firstly from dirty electricity which is emitted from both the digital transmitting meters and the digital non-transmitting meter that is supplied to the power consumer in the current opt-out program by Central Hudson. Below is a list of current research demonstrating Dirty Electricity also called Voltage Transients affects human health adversely :

#### **1-Power Quality Affects Teachers Well-Being and Students**

[http://www.electricalpollution.com/documents/08\\_Havas&Olstad\\_schools-1.pdf](http://www.electricalpollution.com/documents/08_Havas&Olstad_schools-1.pdf)

#### **2- Dirty Electricity Elevates Blood Sugar**

<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/18568931>

#### **3-High Frequency Voltage Transients and Increased Cancers**

<http://sammilham.com/La%20Quinta%20Middle%20school%20teachers'%20cancers.pdf>

#### **4-Biological Effects Of Dirty Electricity With Emphasis On Diabetes and Multiple Sclerosis**

[http://www.magdahavas.com/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2011/03/06\\_Havas\\_EBM.pdf](http://www.magdahavas.com/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2011/03/06_Havas_EBM.pdf)

#### **5-The Health Effects of Electrical Pollution**

<http://www.electricalpollution.com/documents/NFAMemf.PDF>

#### **6-High Frequency Transients On Electrical Wiring: A Missing link to Increasing Diabetes and Asthma**

[http://www.powerwatch.org.uk/pdfs/20060621\\_transients\\_health.pdf](http://www.powerwatch.org.uk/pdfs/20060621_transients_health.pdf)

#### **7-Dirty Electricity and Electrical Hypersensitivity: Five Cases**

<http://emfandhealth.com/HavasStetzerWHODirtyElectricityStudies.pdf>

#### **8-Microwave Frequency Electromagnetic Fields (EMF's) Produce Neuropsychiatric Effects (mentioning Digital Meters)**

<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0891061815000599>

#### **9-Quote From The EPA On The FCC's inadequate Guidelines**

*"The guidelines currently used by the FCC were adopted by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) were adopted by FCC in 1996. The guidelines were recommended by the EPA with certain reservations, in a letter to Thomas P. Stanley , Chief Engineer, Office of Engineering and Technology, Federal Communications Commission, November 9 ,1993, in response the FCC's request for comments on their Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM), Guidelines for Evaluating The Environmental Effects of Radiofrequency Radiation.*

*The FCC's current exposure guidelines ,as well as those of Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE) and the International Commission of Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection (ICNIRP) ,are thermally based, and do not apply to chronic , non-thermal exposure situations. They are believed to protect against injury that may be caused by acute exposures that result in tissue heating or electric shock and burn. The hazard level (for frequencies generally at or greater than 3MHz) is based on specific absorption dose-rate, SAR, associated with an effect that results from an increase in body temperature. The FCC's exposure is considered protective of effects arising from a thermal but not from all possible mechanisms. Therefore , the generalization by many that the guidelines protect human beings from harm by any or all mechanisms is not justified " (page 1 and 2)*

[http://www.emrpolicy.org/litigation/case\\_law/docs/noi\\_epa\\_response.pdf](http://www.emrpolicy.org/litigation/case_law/docs/noi_epa_response.pdf)

**10-Bioinitiative Report Color Charts Of Microwave Radiation Producing Biological Effects Below FCC Guidelines**

<http://www.bioinitiative.org/rf-color-charts/>

**Summary**

Stop Smart Meters Woodstock New York has now presented the Public Service Commission with the documented facts and demonstrated digital meters can cause harm to the power consumer who has a digital meter installed on their home

by the Electric Utility. The info and data provided in the above links certainly demonstrating risk of harm . No person should be forced to live with such serious risks as detailed in the research provided in this Addendum. Every person in the USA has constitutional rights to be secure in their homes and the forced acceptance of potentially unsafe digital meters, transmitting and non-transmitting violates that constitutional right. It is therefore imperative that the Public Service Commission make possible the the availability of analog meters ,refurbished/remanufactured, to the New York power consumer as soon as possible and without further delay as children are the recipients of some of the harm as they are more vulnerable as well as pregnant women !

<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S2213879X14000583>

Central Hudson and Attorney Paul Colbert cannot produce any scientific peer-reviewed studies demonstrating digital meters are safe. The facts speak for themselves as we have been able to produce a mountain of evidence showing harm from microwave emitting devices which includes digital meters. Analog meters are the safest utility meter and is time tested .

Thank you for your time and consideration, Steve Romine

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