

**From:** [R. Schuldt](#)  
**To:** [Massaro, Luly \(PUC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Advanced metering functionality (AMF) business case and cost recovery program  
**Date:** Thursday, July 13, 2023 10:44:13 AM

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Dear RI PUC,

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Additionally, Rhode Island Energy has not been up front in its dealings with the PUC. It appeared to be looking for the best deal on meters for Rhode Islanders, yet had already signed a contract with Landis + Gyr under the cloak of a confidentiality agreement.

This is a bad proposal all around.

Please reject it.

Thank you.

Robin Schuldt

Providence RI  
Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [greengrowsthegrass@protonmail.com](mailto:greengrowsthegrass@protonmail.com)  
**To:** [Massaro, Luly \(PUC\)](#)  
**Subject:** advanced metering functionality (smart meters0  
**Date:** Thursday, July 13, 2023 9:30:17 AM

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No safety studies or environmental impact studies have been done. The opt out option is not adequate to protect consumers, as one may still experience microwave radiation from one's neighbors, if they did not all opt out. *Those approving this plan, including the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission and Rhode Island Energy bear full legal liability for any and all negative health outcomes to humans or other forms of life that can be credibly shown in a court of law to be caused by or exacerbated by microwave radiation emanating from AMF meters.*

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under the cloak of a confidentiality agreement.

Please reject this proposal and protect the citizens of our state from reckless expansion of a technology of unproven safety.

Thank you.

Mark Brody, M.D.

**From:** [jefftoste@gmail.com](mailto:jefftoste@gmail.com)  
**To:** [Massaro, Luly \(PUC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Docket 22-49-EL  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 4, 2023 9:13:32 AM

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Dear Luly

I am writing regarding Docket 22-49-EL and the proposal for the use of “Smart Meters,” which I oppose.

Pardon the pun, but we are giving too much power to the utility companies. Smart meters would only give RI Energy more profit and control, at the consumers expense. Consumers will pay for the meters via “capitol spending and recovery through rates,” this is unfair to ratepayers. And among other concerns, the meters are not safe (they emit 900MHz of radiation), increase atmospheric CO2, allow RI Energy to remotely shut off power, have a limited life span, and can be hacked.

Please reject the use of this technology. Tradition meters work just fine and like my mama used to say, “if it ain’t broke, don’t fix it.”

Thank you,  
Jeff Toste

**From:** [Sara Money](#)  
**To:** [Massaro, Luly \(PUC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Docket 22-49-EL  
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SAVE OUR CHILDREN

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Thank you  
Sara Money

**From:** [Adriana Ferns](#)  
**To:** [Massaro, Luly \(PUC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Docket Number 22-49-EL  
**Date:** Sunday, July 9, 2023 1:10:12 PM

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I'm resending this. I apologize about the wrong docket number

On Jul 9, 2023, at 11:13 AM, Adriana Ferns <[adrianaf7@yahoo.com](mailto:adrianaf7@yahoo.com)> wrote:

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Adriana Ferns

Bristol Total Fitness  
Head Trainer  
NCSF, Sports Nutrition Specialist,  
Movnat L1, RYT200  
(she,her,hers)



**From:** [Laurie Hanna](#)  
**To:** [Massaro, Luly \(PUC\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Tammara Hanna-Anansi](#); [Robert Plante](#); [Charlene Lataille](#)  
**Subject:** Docket Number 22-49-EL re: ADVANCED METERING FUNCTIONALITY [AMF] BUSINESS CASE AND COST RECOVERY PROPOSAL  
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Please provide written acknowledgement that my written testimony has been received and distributed to the appropriate parties.

Don't allow Rhode Islanders to be endangered in their own homes. Please reject it Docket Number 22-49-EL.

Thank you.

Laurie Hanna

**From:** [barbara thornton](#)  
**To:** [Massaro, Luly \(PUC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Docket Number 22-49-EL re: ADVANCED METERING FUNCTIONALITY [AMF] BUSINESS CASE AND COST RECOVERY PROPOSAL  
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Dear RI PUC,

I have some concerns about allowing Rhode Island Energy to rollout AMF meters as follows:

1. Several studies have indicated that this version of "smart" meter may pollute our homes, businesses, and public environments with unnecessary radiofrequency/microwave radiation.
2. There are reports that AMF meters are not secure and can be used to harvest personal data as well as not being as accurate as mechanical meters.
3. They are vulnerable to theft and reportedly have a shorter life span than mechanical meters.
4. Why is this replacement necessary and who will pay for this installation? I suspect that the cost will be passed along to the consumer.
5. We have been provided with evidence that Rhode Island Energy has not been up front in its dealings with the PUC. It appeared to be looking for the best deal on meters for Rhode Islanders, yet had already signed a contract with Landis + Gyr under the cloak of a confidentiality agreement.

I request that you study this proposal more closely and determine if RI Energy is dealing in good faith and what the verifiable "side effects" of replacing with these meters may be before allowing such a wide-spread change.

Thank you,

Barbara J. Thornton

221 Howell St. Providence

**From:** [stephen.blanchet@gmail.com](mailto:stephen.blanchet@gmail.com)  
**To:** [Massaro, Luly \(PUC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Docket Number 22-49-EL re: ADVANCED METERING FUNCTIONALITY [AMF] BUSINESS CASE AND COST RECOVERY PROPOSAL  
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Thank you,

Stephen Blanchet

**From:** [Marguerite Peruto](#)  
**To:** [Massaro, Luly \(PUC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Docket Number 22-49-EL re: ADVANCED METERING FUNCTIONALITY [AMF] BUSINESS CASE AND COST RECOVERY PROPOSAL  
**Date:** Monday, July 10, 2023 6:44:35 PM

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Thank you,

Marguerite Peruto

**From:** [Stephen Dahl](#)  
**To:** [Massaro, Luly \(PUC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Docket Number 22-49-EL re: ADVANCED METERING FUNCTIONALITY [AMF] BUSINESS CASE AND COST RECOVERY PROPOSAL  
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**Dear Ms. Massaro,**

**Please let me know you have received my testimony. Please distribute it to the appropriate parties.**

**Thank you,**

**Stephen Dahl, Kingston, RI**

Honorable Members of the RI Public Utilities Commission:

My name is Stephen Dahl, resident and homeowner, Kingston, Rhode Island, 02881.

Please accept this testimony in DOCKET NO. 22-49-EL re: ADVANCED METERING FUNCTIONALITY BUSINESS CASE AND COST RECOVERY PROPOSAL

I attest and affirm that the following statements are true, accurate and within my personal knowledge.

I strongly object to RI Energy's proposal to bring their dangerous AMF electric meters to Rhode Island.

The state of New Hampshire showed what happens when a thoughtful group of individuals from the legislature, medical community, and industry, including 4 engineers, come together to study the matter of the rollout of the radiofrequency/microwave radiation that is brand-named "5G." A law had required them to form a commission to look into it. In doing so, they discovered they needed to consider ALL radiofrequency/microwave radiation the public is being exposed to from the many emitters of this invisible air pollution, not just the latest iteration.

So-called "smart" meters, including the AMF meters being considered by the PUC, emit radiofrequency/microwave radiation which harms people, animals, insects, trees, by polluting the environment.

The Final Report of the Commission to Study the Environmental and Health Effects of Evolving 5G Technology, finalized in November 2020 and which you can find at this link, along with voluminous science, offered 15 recommendations to the governor, legislators, and public servants in order to mitigate health damage to the public.

<https://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/statstudcomm/committees/1474/reports/5G%20final%20report.pdf>  
[\[gencourt.state.nh.us\]](https://www.gencourt.state.nh.us)

I want you to listen to the tone which prefaces the recommendations of the majority, which shows the absurd situation we have now, in which our governments are rolling out—at breakneck speed—technology known by medical science to cause physical and mental harm to the public they have been entrusted to serve (from page 13 of report):

“The Commission has heard from many experts on both sides of the argument concerning the health and environmental effects of 5G and RF-radiation in general; reviewed countless study reports; attempted to get direct answers to our specific questions from the FCC and other federal agencies to no avail; has become aware of a number of lawsuits against the FCC for not accounting for biological effects in the setting of their standards; is still not certain why the standards for acceptable RF-radiation are set so much higher in the United States than other industrialized nations; is concerned that the modulation of frequencies and the combined effect of “the soup” of RF-waves surrounding us today, which will likely increase with time; is aware that there is much research showing potential health risks and understands that much more research is required; is cognizant that our country historically has been beset by examples of products being declared safe only later to be proven unsafe; and is very aware that the World Health Organization and the whole insurance industry are hedging their bets against RF-radiation because of potential harm. Given these considerations, the majority of the Commission yields to the precautionary principle in formulating many of these recommendations. These recommendations cover a broad range of topics. One topic given much consideration had to do with liability from potential harm caused by small cell antennae placed on the public rights-of-way. A majority of the Commission could not agree upon a recommendation surrounding this topic.

But you, member of the PUC, have been forewarned.

You know that what you are doing is dangerous.

You are allowing these meters to be put, without warning, on the homes of unsuspecting Rhode Islanders.

These meters will pulse radiofrequency/microwave radiation nearly 20,000 times a day through the most vulnerable: the bodies of pregnant women, children, the already ill, and the elderly. Some will notice it right away, like a boy with a bloody nose on a humid morning, who wakes with his head on his pillow in bed next to the wall where an AMF meter is forgotten on the outside wall. Some will know why they are having health problems, others will not, and may be treated by doctors ignorant of the health effects, by yet another industry in bed with technology. For some, disease will take 5 to 20 years to metastasize. A disease where they can't quite pinpoint the cause, as it falls outside the realm of what they are led to believe is possible. By allowing these meters, you will cause misery and disease in every home, including your own, even if you opt out. These AMF meters work in a “mesh,” meaning whole neighborhoods are entrapped in an invisible, toxic fog. Indeed, an entire state is polluted.

This is where you decide who you are, by whom you serve.

Do you serve the likes of the Tobacco Industry, which told us “More Doctors Smoke Camels” as they tried to gloss over the 1964 Surgeon General’s Report? Are you believing even the American Medical Association, whose palms were greased with over \$18 million from tobacco companies, and which took 14 more years to publicly agree with the Surgeon General, in 1978?

<https://csts.ua.edu/ama/cigarettes-damage-the-heart/> [csts.ua.edu] How many more years did it take before it was removed from restaurants in your town, or before its dangers were taught in your schools?

Do you think they’ve fixed our system since then?

When Oxycontin ravaged the lives of people looking for relief from pain? And the Sackler family

walks, after a slap on the wrist, a mere write-off, still free to peddle influence with their vast spoils?

Where asbestos was thought to be so fabulous it should be put in everything? How modern! Such progress!

What about when we were told gasoline needed lead in it for our car engines to function? Yet Claire Patterson, a man who persisted in his laboratory work in the 1950s, proved that before 1923 there was almost no lead in the atmosphere, and dedicated his life to removing lead from gas, leading to the Clean Air Act of 1970, and the removal of lead from gas in 1986, cutting lead levels by 80% almost overnight, according to Bill Bryson (in *\*A Short History of Nearly Everything*). But because lead is forever, there is now 625% more lead in our blood than people had a century ago. He overcame all of the fake “scientific” studies the industry churned out claiming all those cars burning lead were just fine. Funny how our clever engineers made the engines work without lead after all, given parameters, like ones we could give to the tech industry given the over 39,000 papers on the effects of EMFs, thousands of which show harm (while weeding out the ones sponsored by industry or corrupted by vested interests): <https://www.emf-portal.org/en> [emf-portal.org]

And the FCC says the only ill effects of radiofrequency/microwave radiation are heating, which is a blatant, colossal lie.

We have more science now showing harm from radiofrequency/microwave radiation than when tobacco was removed from public spaces!

Right now, it’s like our government is putting a roadster in every garage, but with 1920 safety standards: big engines, leaded gas, no safety belts, no crush zones, and bad roads, while screaming “faster, faster!”

But you will think that you are absolved from questioning the radiofrequency/microwave radiation that allows AMR meters to communicate.

You will think this is okay, because you will do ANYTHING that an authority tells you is alright, just like over two thirds of the participants in the Milgram experiment where electric shocks were said to be administered by participants to subjects. They wouldn’t stop shocking them if told to do so by a man in a white coat, even though they could hear the screams.

Or would you question authority, because you have empathy for other human beings, and make them prove that the subjects are safe before pressing the button?

Moreover, regarding the AMF meters, would you question authority, and make them prove that the radiofrequency/microwave radiation the AMF meters generate, is safe?

And if you were not completely certain, beyond a shadow of a doubt, that these meters are safe, would you still condemn us to death?

In the words of Bob Dylan:

“You gotta serve somebody. It may be the Devil, or it may be the Lord, but you’re gonna have to serve somebody.”

To your health,



Stephen Dahl

**From:** [kiacobbo@cox.net](mailto:kiacobbo@cox.net) [kiacobbo@cox.net](mailto:kiacobbo@cox.net)  
**To:** [Massaro, Luly \(PUC\)](mailto:Massaro.Luly@PUC)  
**Subject:** Docket Number 22-49-EL re: ADVANCED METERING...  
**Date:** Thursday, July 13, 2023 7:52:35 AM

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to:

[luly.massaro@puc.ri.gov](mailto:luly.massaro@puc.ri.gov)

**Dear Commission Clerk Massaro and Committee/Commission:**

**Good Morning!**

Please, for the children, for the senior citizens, for the homebound, and for everyone, including the pet dogs and cats - and future generations of people, and for America – please reject smart meters.

Thank you for taking time to read this email letter.

Perhaps you have not been told all the sides to the smart meter issue?

This person (we have never met) is an expert, so please consider reading what she has written:

1) Letter to the Editor to the Warwick Beacon:

<https://warwickonline.com/stories/just-say-no-to-ri-energys-amf-plan,202978?>  
[\[warwickonline.com\]](https://warwickonline.com)

2) Here is her comment to that Warwick Beacon article:

<https://warwickonline.com/stories/meter-replacement-carries-200m-shock,203892> [\[warwickonline.com\]](https://warwickonline.com)

One need not be an expert to understand that AMF meters, aka “smart meters”, use radio frequency-microwave radiation, and that is documented to have health effects when used in homes, in schools, in small businesses. Further, anything that has effects on energy use, energy cost – and on the privacy of the people of Rhode Island – **should at the least be an open, publicized matter**, such as on TV, on podcasts, in newspapers, on radio shows – so that ALL Rhode Island

voters may discuss, debate, and vote on whether or not they want themselves and their families exposed to AMF meters, aka “smart meters”, using radio frequency-microwave radiation in their homes, businesses, and tax-paid

schools, and other buildings.

Here's more, from another expert. Please copy and paste this title into Youtube:

Professional Development Day: Effects of Modern Technology - YouTube

Here's the comment at that video: Nov 23, 2022 10/24/2022: "Dr. Alexia McKnight, DVM, DACVR, and Cece Doucette, Director of Massachusetts for Safe Technology, present the biological effects of today's wireless technology and solutions to use technology safely..."

I request acknowledgment that my written testimony has been received.

Thank you.

Best regards,

Karen Iacobbo Rhode Island

**From:** [Meadow Brook Inn](#)  
**To:** [Massaro, Luly \(PUC\)](#)  
**Subject:** docket number 22-49-EL  
**Date:** Monday, July 3, 2023 3:19:06 PM

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Hi Luly,

I'm writing to request that you deny RI Energy's proposed plan to install "smart meters" to every home and business in RI. I have done research on the meters and have found the following:

- smart meters are known to cause house fires
- smart meters actually raise utility rates during peak hours (don't we already pay ENOUGH?)
- smart meters only have a lifespan of 5-7 years
- smart meters require excess electrical energy to run
- smart meters are NOT green
- smart meters are NOT safe from hacking or surveillance
- smart meters emit 900MHz radiation up to 17,000 times per day (I'm a breast cancer survivor and would greatly prefer not to have this additional and unnecessary exposure)

Please do not approve the "smart" meters.

Thank you for your time.

Warmest Regards,

**Marisa Rizzo**  
**Meadow Brook Inn Charlestown, RI**  
**401-364-3669**

<https://meadowbrookinnri.com> [[meadowbrookinnri.com](#)]

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**From:** [Masse, Kristen \(PUC\)](#)  
**To:** [Massaro, Luly \(PUC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Docket 22-49-EL  
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**From:** Sara Money <saramoney@mail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 13, 2023 9:30 AM  
**To:** Masse, Kristen (PUC) <Kristen.L.Masse@puc.ri.gov>  
**Subject:** Docket 22-49-EL

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**From:** [charlene lataille](#)  
**To:** [Massaro, Luly \(PUC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Docket Number 22-49-EL re: ADVANCED METERING FUNCTIONALITY [AMF] BUSINESS CASE AND COST RECOVERY PROPOSAL  
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Thank you.

Charlene Lataille

38 North Doctors Lane  
Hope, RI 02831

**From:** [Robert](#)  
**To:** [Massaro, Luly \(PUC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Puc issue.  
**Date:** Thursday, July 13, 2023 6:06:35 PM

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Thank you very much.

Robert plante

Sent from my iPad



**From:** [Mig Perkins](#)  
**To:** [Massaro, Luly \(PUC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Reject forced imposition of AMF meters @ private residences  
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It is also concerning that Rhode Island Energy may not have been transparent in its dealings with the PUC. It's been reported that Rhode Island Energy signed a contract with Landis + Gyr under the cloak that it hid under a confidentiality agreement BEFORE it announced the search for the most appropriate meters.

I urge you to reject this costly and hazardous proposal and ask you to please acknowledge receipt of this letter.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mason Perkins

David Ellis  
116 Cliff Ave.  
Portsmouth, RI  
02871

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7/2/2023

2023 JUL 13 AM 8:45  
Dear Mr. Massaro, Commission Clerk,  
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

I wish to comment on Docket Number 22-49-EL, re. Advanced Metering Functionality Business Case and Cost Recovery Proposal.

Please reject the proposal. Instead, maintain the status quo, that is, continue to allow and encourage the use of analog meters. There is much harm in the smart meters. It is, therefore, truly a gross offense to mandate that people have affixed to their homes a device that does them harm.

RI Energy has put before the PUC a business plan. We should always keep in mind that their primary interest, naturally enough, is their own profit. Doing what is best for the public is secondary. It is our job and your job as our representatives to make good decisions for us. The age-old rule is Caveat emptor - buyer beware.

The Nobel-prize winning economist, Daniel Kahneman, has pointed out that we humans have an "almost unlimited ability to ignore our ignorance." So, on smart meters, what are we ignoring? What we are ignoring is that since the 1940's, there have been some 20,000 studies done by scientists all over the world revealing profound effects of electromagnetic radiation (EMR) on living things. However, wireless radiation is not visible, nor do we usually feel it, and it is generated by the devices people are fond of and increasingly addicted to, and that make enormous profits for the providers. When we suffer from its ill effects, we often do not make the connection to the cause.

The prominent scientist, Martin Blank, called our current time the 'electromagnetic age'. As we add one source of wireless radiation after another, we are engulfing ourselves in a tsunami of EMR. A few of the more observed effects are the breakdown of the blood-brain barrier, memory loss and changes in the blood; not to mention whole system failures like cancer.

At some point we will have to put a stop to the tsunami. A good place to start is to deny the current smart meter proposal.

Sincerely,

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