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Confront PG&E CEO Peter Darbee TODAY at CPUC

Examiner article, fyi:

## **Protesters to hand 'dumb meter' to PG&E's Darbee**

**By: John Upton  
August 12, 2010**

A symbolic "dumb meter" is planned to be handed Thursday to a Pacific Gas & Electric Corp. executive to protest the company's deployment of controversial "smart meters."

PG&E Chief Executive Peter Darbee is scheduled to speak Thursday afternoon at the California Public Utilities Commission headquarters.

The company is deploying smart meters throughout its Northern California service range, which allow the utility to remotely monitor and sometimes manage customers' electricity usage.

Widespread deployments are scheduled to begin in San Francisco later this year, according to company spokesman Paul Moreno. Some devices are already being installed in new and remodeled homes.

The wireless devices are controversial and the company has admitted to state lawmakers that some have misread electricity use.

Electromagnetic devices, such as smart meters, can cause health problems for people with physical sensitivities.

Protesters who plan to rally outside the CPUC building and attend Thursday's speech, which begins at 1:30 p.m., say they will hand Darbee a 'dumb meter.'

"It's a symbolic box that will be built, drawn on and called a 'dumb meter,'" protest organizer Sandi Maurer said. "This is symbolic of what PG&E is putting on every house."

PG&E set up a 24-hour hotline to address smart meter-related questions. The phone number is 1 (866) 743 0263.

<http://www.sfexaminer.com/local/Protesters-to-hand-dumb-meter-to-PGEs-Darbee-100557994.html>

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FYI, Amy Standen from KQED radio will be in attendance today.

**From:** Cherry, Brian K [mailto:BKC7@pge.com]  
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Great idea. Thanks.

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re: taking questions from the audience, the plan now is instead of mic runners letting people ask questions, we're going to provide index cards to those who want to ask questions, collect them, and give them to [Redacted]. He will then read one or two Smart Meter questions from the cards.

Also, KTVU consumer reporter Tom Vacar will be in attendance.

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FYI----Following, please find a press release that the EMF Safety Network put out this morning on today's CPUC event. The Network apparently plans to present Peter Darbee a smart meter at the event.

**From:** Joshua Hart [mailto:Redacted]  
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**For Immediate Release**  
**August 12th, 2010**

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This afternoon, residents from more than a dozen cities throughout the Bay Area and California will confront the California Public Utilities Commission and PG&E CEO Peter Darbee and ask why- despite dozens of cities and counties throughout the state asking them to stop smart meter installation until questions about health and safety impacts can be satisfactorily answered, they continue to force the new unwanted meters onto people's homes and businesses.

Tuesday evening, the City of Watsonville was the latest local government to demand that meter installation in the state is halted, based on scientific, peer-reviewed studies showing evidence of health impacts from wireless, electromagnetic radiation (EMF). Councilmember Caputo of Watsonville said: "People can be pushed only so far..... The company failing to listen to residents and forcing smart meters on communities may lead to the end of the smart meter in California."

Mayor Alejo put forward a motion indicating that the city would do everything in its power to stop PG&E from installing the meters in the City. Like Fairfax, who last week passed an ordinance that would allow the Town's police to physically prevent PG&E's contractors from installing the meters within the Town said: "I would like to direct the city attorney to investigate any and all powers the City of Watsonville may have to stop smart meters being installed in our City."

*For comment today, please contact Sandi Maurer of the EMF Safety Network at [jspirit@sonic.net](mailto:jspirit@sonic.net) or 707-829-9403. Joshua Hart, Director of the Scotts Valley Neighbors Against Smart Meters, and representing the larger coalition, Citizens Against Smart Meters, will be available for interviews today at the CPUC at the corner of McAllister and Van Ness streets in San Francisco.*

*Timeline:*

*10am CPUC meeting- residents will be making public comment to the CPUC, demanding a halt to 'smart' meter installation*

*1pm Protest on the steps of the CPUC*

*1:30pm Peter Darbee scheduled to give a speech at the CPUC. He will be confronted by angry residents and presented with a 'dumb meter' Though he would probably like to, just as he and the CPUC are forcing 'smart' meters onto the people of California, Mr. Darbee will not be able to opt out.*

More information and videos available at:

Scotts Valley Neighbors Against Smart Meters

<http://stopsmartmeters.wordpress.com>

EMF Safety Network

<http://www.emfsafetynetwork.org>