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Subject: Re: Last night - Fairfax City Council

I forgot to add the obvious about the alternatives -- let's try not to get their hopes up about them. I think both Peevey and Darbee think there is a better solution than there really is.

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I want to attend one in Berkeley, but I am afraid I will feel like moving away.

I think the alternatives discussion is probably worth mentioning, at least when you talk to people. We are agonizing about it and suspect that our solutions will either not be adequate or will be too expensive or both. I get the sense ya'll suspect the same problem.

The thing I have been telling my friends is that they tell us we are murderers, then hug each other. And by the way, I saw several of them fire up their phones after they left. Sigh.

Where's the next one???

yours,

sid

Do I seem terse? Blame the thumb keyboard.

From: Zafar, Marzia [mailto:marzia.zafar@cpuc.ca.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, December 01, 2010 03:09 PM
To: Corey, Jana; Dietz, Sidney
Subject: RE: Last night - Fairfax City Council

thanks, but I don't want to go to Fairfax anymore, although I would love to attend all others.

by the way, the vice mayor people emailed me and I've been

trying to help them get on the smart grid service list and also sent them the privacy comments.

PS - did I miss anything major from the summary below that I should tell our Commissioners?

From: Corey, Jana [mailto:JRCj@pge.com]
Sent: Wednesday, December 01, 2010 3:04 PM
To: Zafar, Marzia; Dietz, Sidney
Subject: RE: Last night - Fairfax City Council

Thanks Marzia. As always, we appreciate your support at these events. Jana

From: Zafar, Marzia [mailto:marzia.zafar@cpuc.ca.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, December 01, 2010 2:18 PM
To: Dietz, Sidney; Corey, Jana
Subject: FW: Last night - Fairfax City Council

Here's my report from last night's meeting. I know I'm pretty brutal with my opinions of how PG&E conducts itself at these meetings, but I thought last night you guys did a great job especially the gentlemen sitting next to Jana.

From: Zafar, Marzia
Sent: Wednesday, December 01, 2010 2:13 PM
To:
Subject: Last night - Fairfax City Council

Hello,

Last night I attended my third town council meeting in the great Town of Fairfax. However, I will not be attending more events in the great Town of Fairfax. They have lost proper perspective and are demonstrating mob mentality in its finest form.

The mayor was very vocal against smart meters so when he held up his iPod touch I asked whether that was a "wireless iPod touch" emitting constant RF in his hip pocket... There was a retired computer programmer who was afraid that the smart meter was too close to her knee and she recently recovered from cancer in that knee. Overall PG&E did a very good job of listening and sympathizing and giving very good/common sense info, but the crowd is too far gone.

So, largely same people, but the tone a little more vitriolic than in the past; less stories and more anger. There were about 40-50 people in attendance. The session started at 7:30 and lasted till about 11pm. The mayor and the vice mayor along with the other 3 members all pretty much have the same view which is that PG&E is infringing in their civil liberties by trespassing in their house to install a smart meter. They also agree with the crowd that RF is a huge issue and this is yet another piece of equipment that will cause them harm.

Interestingly, they are looking forward to the CCST report and urged the PUC as well as PG&E to wait for the report to pass public scrutiny before making anymore decisions. This is interesting, because the last time I asked them whether they would believe in the CCST report, and they all in unison said "NO", but this time they were very positive about CCST and also mentioned that they've been in constant communication with CCST who told them that the report will be issued in the next 2-3 months.

Potential caution - the public speakers warned that they will begin to practice public disobedience if smart meter installations began in their respective towns (i.e. Fairfax, Pt Reyes area, and west Marin). They also all encouraged each other to attend tomorrow's Commission meeting and voice their discontent about the ALJ PD dismissing EMF Safety Network's application.

It should be noted that we're still talking about 200-500 people who are very vocal and committed to their cause, but they're not representatives of their larger communities.

Regards,

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