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Dear Executive Director Howland,

As one of NHEC electric consumers, I am deeply concerned about the relatively new wireless meter technology given the "mandated" Smart Meter NHEC AMI program. In our area, we have been told that installation of Smart Meters on all residences and small businesses is imminent. NHEC is the only NH electric company that has initiated the AMI Smart Meter program to date.

I have been doing extensive research on the use of wireless meters and the associated biological RF and EMF radiation effects, I have subsequently become a part of a petition group seeking a choice for an opt-out as has been won recently in Maine and Vermont. This is a very critical issue in light of the current scientific evidence for potential serious public health impacts on NH citizens, especially with long term exposure. Since there are no federal or state mandates for the use of wireless smart meters to achieve a smart grid goal, we believe it is irresponsible, unethical and unreasonable for NHEC to mandate that Smart Meters be placed on our residences without our consent.

Since the NH PUC holds the responsibility for "<u>safe</u> electrical service for all NH electric consumers," we are requesting a meeting with you to discuss the NHEC mandated Smart Meter program issue.

Thank you for your attention to this extremely relevant public health matter. I look forward to hearing from you as to available meeting times that could be arranged.

Respectfully,

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