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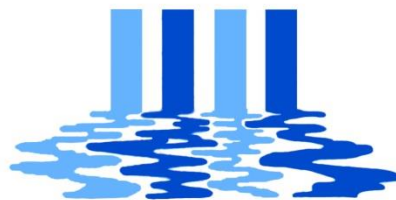


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Dear customer:

McAllen Public Utility is in the process of replacing all existing water meters with Smart Meters, as part of a TWDB Funded Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Project. The Company doing the installation on behalf of McAllen Public Utility is Aqua-Metric. The overall project is expected to be completed in late 2025. Aqua-Metric has scheduled your address for meter replacement within the next week. The process for replacing water meter will include temporarily shutting off your water for an estimated 15 – 30 minutes. Note that you do not need to be at home while this work is being conducted. The phone numbers below can be used to inquire about this project:

Weekdays during business hours from 8:00 am – 5:00 pm:
(956) 681-1660.

Weekdays after business hours 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm:
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PUBLIC NOTICE

August 5, 2024

From: Dr. Marelyn Medina, 500 E. Avocet Ave, McAllen, TX 78504

To: McAllen Neighbors

Concerning:

Forced Placement of new water meters that result in (1) electro-magnetic radiation air pollution 24 hours a day and 7 days a week & (2) Maximum Invasion of Privacy

On July 30, 2024 the McAllen Public Utility water division left a notice hanging from the handle of my front door. It informed me that within a week my current water meter would be replaced with a "Smart" water meter. Search of the McAllenPublicUtility.com website failed to identify why and under what authority the current residential water meters are being replaced by 'Smart' water meters. Online search concerning smart water meters in other cities was unfavorable. The search revealed the meters allow identification of water leaks, but in general any proposed benefits to citizens were overshadowed by negative aspects of the meters.

The danger of electro-magnetic poisoning of the air surrounding the meters is never mentioned by MPU on their website. Neither was the meter's invasion of citizen privacy revealed. This action on the part of MPU is equivalent to the City of McAllen placing cameras facing my house in order to establish if home invaders or burglars are present. But, it is worse than that. These meters will tell the City of McAllen when you are taking a shower, washing your clothing, watering your garden, cleaning your car, filling your pool or are not using any water, because you and your family are on vacation. This is maximum invasion of privacy. None of these activities are the City of McAllen's business.

The established change in water meters was all news to me. At no time during receipt of my monthly bill from MPU, had a notice been sent to me that this horrendous policy had been adopted by the City of McAllen. I was never informed of a public hearing to discuss the dangers that such an action could result in. As a property owner and real estate property tax payer, I have a right to determine how my property is used and how my tax money is spent.

That day the notice was placed on my door, I immediately contacted MPU with my objections. An Engineer was assigned to speak with me in regards to my concerns. He was very polite, but provided no information concerning what legal authority was used to approve the water meter change. On July 31, 2024, I sent the Engineer an email letter documenting my concerns. In the meantime, He placed a hold on having my water meter replaced at my Avocet Ave address. I also requested in writing a hold on changing the water meter on my second house on Falcon Ave.

I am currently awaiting a response to the letter addressing my concerns. In view of the notice claiming that the MPU would be changing my water meter in ONE WEEKS TIME, with no prior warning, I am informing my neighbors that they may want to call the MPU and put a hold on changing their water meters as well. This was a rash decision on the part of the City of McAllen MPU. It represents an administrative division abuse of power. Public hearings MUST be held before life changing actions are forced on everyone living in McAllen, Texas. In the letter I sent the Engineer, I mentioned that I would be bringing this matter to the attention of my neighbors. It is for this reason that you are receiving this notice. Calling the proposed water meters "Smart" is a psychological play on words to make you feel stupid for protesting what in reality or **air-polluting, privacy-invading water meters!** Please beware of word-trickery!

I have set up a website to handle communications concerning this important matter. Please check it out.

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AMI Meter

2 messages

Tue, Jul 30, 2024 at 5:00 PM

To:

Good Afternoon Doctor Medina,

It was a pleasure visiting with you and I'll do my best to address your concerns. I will be preparing some information for you and get back with you on a face-to-face meeting.

Thanks Again and look forward to more discussions!!!

Respectfully...

Utility Engineer

McAllen Public Utility

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July 31, 2024

Good Morning _____

I too enjoyed our recent telephone conversation. I look forward to meeting with you ASAP. If we can set up a meeting date on a Monday or Tuesday it would be appreciated. Thank you for putting a halt to the installation process for the "Smart" water meter at my home on 500 E. Avocet Ave. Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. I also own another house at 3905 Falcon Ave in McAllen that I also want to put a halt on placement of a 'Smart' water meter as well. I also plan to speak with my neighbors regarding my concerns in regard to what I consider an illegal action on the part of the City.

I became aware yesterday of the new MPU policy by means of a notice placed on the front door handle of my house, that a new 'Smart' meter would be placed within a week. This was the very first time I heard about this. Every month I pay my MPU bill and at NO TIME was a formal notice sent concerning this troubling action on the part of the City of McAllen, TX. No mention was made of public hearings concerning the implementation of this dangerous MPU program-before it was established.

It is simply the City's business to maintain the quality of the water at high standards and then submit a monthly bill to water consumers. That is it. Apparently the City of McAllen has taken it upon itself to assume the illegal right to dictate HOW I use my water. That is unconstitutional and an illegal usurpation of power by the City over the people. If I have a water leak in my plumbing that is my business to identify and correct. We do not need Big Brother 'worrying' about our plumbing and sprinkler water leaks. These are merely drops of water in a bucket. If in the process of using my water, I damage property that is not my own or cause someone direct harm, then there are already legal avenues to deal with these unfortunate circumstances. My concern with the 'Smart' water meters are of a more serious matter and involve three major issues.

FIRST, When I take a bath, use my washing machine, water my garden or fill my swimming pool-is no business of the City of McAllen. For the city to assume otherwise is an invasion of my privacy. It is voyeurism hidden in the costume of technology.

SECOND, there is nothing smart about a water meter that emits radiation poisoning consisting of electromagnetic pulsations 24/7, so a technician can drive past the house once a month to record the radiation readings. That is a health hazard to the entire neighborhood, when everyone's 'Smart' meter is doing the same thing every single hour of the day and night. This is a serious health hazard to adults, children and pets. When added to the already established 5G cell tower transmissions we are swimming in, the synergistic effects on the Human Body may be catastrophic in the near future.

THIRD, This technology is anti-green energy. The carbon emission of the technician trucks as they drive by once a month is minuscule compared to the 24/7 electro-magnetic radiation poison being emitted by the 'Smart' water meters. Carbon dioxide does not harm the body. It is part of normal Human Being physiology. It is used by plants to make the food we eat. On the other hand, electromagnetism can disrupt essential electrical cellular and nerve cell transmissions throughout the body resulting in many different types of diseases.

Thank you so much to your attention to this matter. I look forward to meeting you soon.

Sincerely yours, Marelyn Medina, MD

8/1/24

Why “smart” water meters are not smart!

The first YouTube video above shows a smart water meter with the RF emissions being measured by a Cornet Electrosmog Meter and a Trifield Meter. The second video shows a smart water meter being measured by a Cornet Electrosmog 88T Meter in Ramona, CA.

California’s [Ramona Municipal Water District](#) is currently installing microwave-emitting, wireless smart water meters throughout the town of Ramona and its suburb, San Diego Country Estates. They are replacing old-style analog meters that must be read by a meter reader. With the new meters, manufactured by Master Meter, of Israel, RMWD meter readers won’t have to get out of the truck, just drive down the street and automatically collect the data for the 75 miles of roads this water district covers.

What’s not to like with these so-called “smart” water meters?

1. **Smart water meters only benefit the company, not the water customers.** *The manufacturer brags in its product overview that these smart water meters will detect previously undetectable leaks (thus implying billings will be higher); that REVENUES WILL BE GREATER for the water company, and thus, the initial costs will be paid for in a short period of time (by the consumers, obviously).* * This claim that smart meters detect previously unbilled usage, is typical of utility and water companies’ verbiage to respond to outraged customers with complaints about excessively high bills, with reports of increased billing up to 600% following installation.
2. **Smart water meters frequently overcharge customers**, sometimes into the thousands of dollars. Google “smart meters water overbilling” for thousands of examples, nationwide. Read [Chicago’s Smart Water Meters Regularly Overcharge Customers](#)
3. **Smart water meters emit high levels of pulsed radiation.** [See below]
4. **Peak levels of this pulsed radiation are comparable to those emitted by cell towers.**
5. **Smart meters deployed along streets means children walking to school, drivers and their passengers, people walking dogs or exercising for health – will all be exposed to dangerous microwave radiation.**
6. **Smart water meters operating in this frequency range (902-928 MHz) have been known to interfere with the operation of other devices, or rendering them useless.** These include baby monitors, cordless phones, garage door openers, and more. Smart water meters can cause malfunction or popping noises heard from cordless phones, for instance; with reports of up to several hundred popping noises every minute.** In addition, they can interfere with amateur radio stations within these frequency bands. One might ask, do these other devices also interfere with operation of the smart water meter – increasing its unreliability and accuracy, contributing to overbilling?
7. **Can cause serious disruption and even disability for residents.** Some people can physically hear a shrill ringing or clicking noises after smart meters have been installed, and in quite a number of cases, there have been reports this has caused severe ear pain. Some people can no longer live in an area after smart meters have been installed. In addition, some animals, including household pets, become ill after smart meters have been installed.

8. **Note that exposure to the radiation emitted by smart utility meters has been associated with development of serious health effects**, according to a growing number of independent physicians and scientists, including disturbance to heart, development of cancers, inflammation, vision problems, electro-sensitivity, etc.***

 9. <http://www.mastermeter.com/en/3G-Mobile-AMR-Drive-By.html>
 10. ** [Smart meter interference, a white paper](#)
 11. *** <http://www.electrosmogprevention.org/smart-meter-health-alerts/>
 12. The RMWD water meters are located near the curb of the local streets, one per residence. Often near the driveway. The following are measurements taken with a [Cornet Electrosog 88T Meter](#) on Nov. 12, 2017, to compare the emissions to the ambient levels in the neighborhood. On a recent occasion, observation of this same RMWD smart water meter showed large spikes in RF radiation every second or two. Variances can occur.
 13. The findings?
 14. **On Nov. 12, 2017, Ramona Municipal Water District's "smart" water meter emitted pulsed microwave radiation 22,742.857 times higher** than the natural ambient levels of neighborhood. Also, the **RMWD smart water meter's emissions were 5,306.666 times higher than independent scientists* (www.bioinitiative.org) believe is safe.** Upon calling RMWD, I was told that the manufacturer claimed these smart water meters do not emit radiation and that they are "asleep" until the truck comes by. As these photos show, that is not true!
 15. Ramona Municipal Smart Water Meters are dangerous to the health of the public, according to hundreds of scientists' and physicians' warnings about smart meters & health. Children walking to school, families walking the dog, joggers, people walking for health – all will be subjected to a street filled with microwave radiation if Ramona's water district continues to deploy these meters. It will result in elevating the electrosmog in this nearly pristine, beautiful, mountain neighborhood of San Diego Country Estates where 10,000 people live. Another 10,000 in the main town of Ramona will be subjected to elevated electrosmog and microwave radiation.
 16. **Is that smart? We call for Ramona Municipal Water District to stop the installation of these radiation-emitting smart water meters!**
 17. Click here to view a "Do Not Install Smart Water Meter" form for download. Can be used for Ramona's water district or tailored for your own. Print and place inside waterproof ziplock baggie, inside the meter box.
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Do-not-install smart water meter sign inside meter box.

To download the sign as a pdf go to:

[Do Not Install SM Sign RMWD \(pdf\)](#)

To download the sign as a Word doc (which may be modified for any water district) go to:

[Do Not Install SM Sign RMWD \(Word doc\)](#)

Here is an informational packet sent to Ramona's water department by the Director of CEP, recently: [Reasons-to-Say-No-to-Smart-Meters](#), produced by CEP, is useful to educate electric, gas, and water utilities concerning the dangers of smart meters.



Non-wireless, old-style analog water meter emits zero radiation. Neighborhood has low levels – 0.0007 milliwatts per meter squared, or lower.



Analog water meter



Ramona's new smart water meters look like this one.



Smart water meter shows two spikes at peak of 2.4 milliwatts per meter squared (mwm²). Close-up below.





About five feet away from smart water meter radiation levels still notable at 2.4 mwm2 (peak) and .027 msm2.



Smart meter shows large spike 15.92 milliwatts per meter squared, with constant lower level radiation and spikes about every 5-10 seconds. View MAX at bottom left screen to see highest reading since meter turned on. That was the spike.



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NOTICE TO:
McAllen Public Utility
Smart Water Meter Installer



**DO NOT INSTALL A "SMART" WATER
METER AT THIS PROPERTY**

OWNER IS "OPTING OUT" PER REQUEST TO MPU

The owner does NOT consent to the installation of a wireless Smart Water Meter; also known as a "radio-read meter", AMR, AMI, Digital Meter, Advanced Meter or Advanced Digital Meter.

August 5, 2024

From: Marelyn Medina, M.D

SUBMISSION to: The Monitor Newspaper, awaiting publication

Letter to the Editor:

McAllen Public Utility (MPU) & Abuse of Power

Calling the new water meters “Smart” is a psychological play on words to make you feel stupid for protesting what in reality are air-polluting, privacy-invading water meters! Please beware of Word-Trickery! Words have power and the new water meters being shoved down the throats of McAllen Citizen are best called ‘Evil’ water meters. These horrible devices bring up three major concerns that MUST be placed for discussion and approval by the people living in McAllen, who will be the victims of this administrative invasion into our lives.

FIRST, when I take a bath, use my washing machine, water my garden, clean my car, fill my pool or do not use water at all because I am on vacation with my family, is no concern of the City of McAllen. This is invasion of privacy and voyeurism hidden under the costume of technology.

SECOND, there is nothing smart about a water meter that emits radiation poisoning consisting of electromagnetic pulsations 24/7. This may result in serious health problems to Human Beings and pets walking by the continuously transmitting demons.

THIRD, this technology is anti-green energy. The carbon dioxide emission of the MPU trucks gathering data from the meters once a month is miniscule compared to the 24/7 continuous water meter radiation poisoning forced upon citizens by MPU-an administrative agency gone wild.

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