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Dear Mr. Walker,

The Dangers of Wireless Technology, Especially Smart Meters in Meshed-Grid Networks

I was surprised and alarmed to learn that Fortis BC ('Fortis') intends to remove my perfectly safe, effective, reliable, robust, inexpensive analogue meter and replace it with a largely-plastic, outrageously expensive, digital meter that contains two unauthorized, untested, unproven, fire-prone pulsed microwave-spewing radio transmitter, receiver and antennae circuits! I became even more alarmed once I researched what Fortis is planning to do and realized that my life and that of my family would be jeopardized - *forever* - were we ***forced*** to live in a "meshed-grid network" community. Given what I consider is the stealthy, artful and disingenuous manner which Fortis is attempting to mislead and deceive the general public into believing that wireless smart meters in meshed-grid networks are totally safe and pose no threat whatsoever to their health, general well-being, personal privacy, safety and security, I am hereby challenging Fortis, here and now, i.e., either you, personally, or any of your senior executives or Dr. William Bailey of Exponent U.S. to debate with me – ***publicly, with the media in attendance*** – this whole subject matter. The timing and location of the debate I'll leave to your discretion; my only stipulation is that the venue must be large enough to accommodate at least several hundred members of the general public as well as representatives from both print and broadcast media.

I am a retired Canadian Armed Forces captain who spent 22 of my 26+ years in the military in the arcane fields of ***Electronic Warfare (EW)*** and ***Signals Intelligence (SIGINT)***. Highlights of my relevant experience include a two year stint in Canada's National Defence Headquarters, Ottawa, in the ***Directorate of Electronic Warfare*** and, prior to that, two years as the Executive Officer (2-i/c) and Operations Officer of one of Canada's largest ***intelligence-gathering stations***. In the latter case, I directly employed some 200-odd specially-trained radio operators and technicians. Suffice it to say, wireless radio communications were my bread and butter for more than 22 years; hence I know far better than most how vulnerable any wireless radio system is and how easily they can be interfered with, jammed, defeated and/or literally

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destroyed. Operationally, I've conducted radio warfare and electronic warfare operations both at sea, onboard Canadian warships, and in the field with NATO army units in Germany. I've also completed a major NATO army EW officers' course in Anzio, Italy. Because of the strategic sensitivity of my work (I had **Top Secret-Codeword** security clearance), I was formally taught about electromagnetic radiation (EMR) and how dangerous/harmful it can be.

From my own global research over the past 2-1/2 years I am convinced that the already-large and rapidly-growing number of independent world-class scientists from every corner of the globe are correct in saying that science is running amuck, and governments everywhere are guilty of gross malfeasance for not protecting the public, i.e., governments should insist that new technologies, such as Fortis' proposed wireless smart meters in meshed-grid networks, are **first subjected to science-based testing - by independent scientists having no connection to industry** – the results of which must prove conclusively that the technology poses no threat to the health and general well-being of the public and all other life forms. Should BCUC approve Fortis' application to roll-out their smart meters, the immediate "*short-term*" winners clearly would be Fortis, its shareholders, governments and the other wireless-related companies who have colluded with you. Sadly, the losers would be the public – the poor, innocent, ignorant, helpless and trusting public. Ultimately, society will prove to be the biggest loser, for the inevitable health care costs – especially for future generations - will surely bankrupt not just British Columbia but, I suspect, the whole of Canada. History will judge you harshly, Mr. Walker, you and your company, and all of the other 'players' who along with you are **forcing** this evil, despicably-cruel unprecedented money-driven experiment on decent Canadians – most of whom, sadly, still naively think Canada is a democracy. I'm eagerly looking forward to debating this whole subject matter with you or any one of your senior executives or with Dr. William Bailey of Exponent U.S. The unvarnished truth must come out! Please advise me of the scheduling details and of the name of the person with whom I'll be debating at your earliest convenience. Thank you.

Yours truly,

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