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This letter was posted the same day Registered Mail.

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Melbourne City Mail Centre,
Melbourne VIC 8001

Dear Mr. Parker,

MIRN 53302650795

Intention to Replace Existing Gas Meter

I received a card in my letterbox yesterday from one of your gas meter installers, because he was unable to gain access to the property to replace my gas meter while I was away from home.

Date: 12/3/14
We called by today at 14.40
but unfortunately no one was here. BRIAN
Please contact us on 0419 897 396
to arrange another appointment.
TO GAIN ACCESS TO THE GAS METER
Happy to do Saturday Morning if that
SUITS. THANKS

I have enquired from my neighbours regarding the type of meter being replaced, and my research indicates that SP Ausnet appears to be installing a Landis & Gyr Model 750 Gas Meter, which has the potential to become a smart gas meter – as stated in the brochure shown below.

The feature of the meter I am particularly concerned about says on page 2:

"...the meter can be retrofitted with a pulse output module for advanced metering applications without the need to replace the meter index"

Product Enhancements

Every Model 750 gas meter is supplied pulse ready so that the meter can be retrofitted with a pulse output module for advanced metering applications without the need to replace the meter index.

The Model 750 is also available with a top reading index allowing ease of reading when the meter is located in a low height. The model 750 is also available with Viton o-rings for aggressive gas applications.



I understand this to mean that this meter may be installed initially as a manually-read meter (without any radio communications facilities included); however once installed, it can be retrofitted at a later date to become an AMI meter (with radio communications facilities fitted).

My concerns

A friend of mine in a Melbourne suburb was unfortunate enough to have an electricity smart meter installed into her home in 2012, and the microwave radiation it emitted made both her and her husband (now deceased) very sick. I know of other people who continue to suffer from the debilitating effects their smart meter has had on their health and their lifestyle; and I do not want to see this happen to my wife and I.

Electro Hyper Sensitivity (or EHS) is a clinical condition that has already been recognised as such in the Australian legal system in the matter of *Dr. David McDonald versus Comcare*, a former CSIRO scientist who became badly affected by Electro Magnetic Radiation in his workplace (<http://www.news.com.au/technology/csiro-scientist-dr-david-mcdonald-wins-compensation-for-wifi-pain/story-e6frfnr-1226729178281>) My point here is that I do not want ANY radio transmitting device installed on my property that may cause my wife and I to acquire EHS from your smart gas metering equipment.

I recognise your company's need to update the meter

I recognise that SP Ausnet has the right to replace older-style meters due to ageing. My concerns relate to the technology any replacement gas meter might contain that is likely to have an impact on the health of my wife and I.

As you can appreciate, I am not prepared to allow a Landis & Gyr Model 750 Gas Meter to be installed into my home (and particularly on my bedroom wall) due to the EMR it can transmit into our bodies while we sleep. However, I am open for your office to submit to me other types of **manually read, non AMI compatible meters** instead of the proposed Model 750 meter.

My current meter situation

I am very concerned about the severe impact the electricity Smart Meter Rollout is having on people's health; therefore to prevent a smart gas meter being installed, I have placed a restraining bracket around the existing meter to prevent a meter changeover occurring without my knowledge or my approval.

I also have signs fitted to indicate that I do NOT approve of any smart meter being installed on my property. Please see the last page for a copy of the signs.

WARNING!

If any of SP Ausnet's employees or contractors enter my property for any reason, I will assume that you (Alistair Parker) have authorised them to do so. If that event occurs, I will hold you responsible for the criminal act of TRESPASSING private property, and will commence immediate action involving the Police against you personally.

If any of SP Ausnet's employees or contractors enter my property and attempt to install a gas meter without my written prior approval, I will assume that you (Alistair Parker) have authorised them to do so. If that event occurs, I will hold you responsible for the criminal act of BREAKING AND ENTERING, which is a criminal offence that attracts jail time.

Offer

I invite any of your representatives from SP Ausnet to contact me by mail (preferably) to enable this matter to be resolved to mutual satisfaction Mr. Parker. I would expect your representative will include some brochures of **other suitable non AMI gas meters** for my consideration as a replacement to my existing gas meter.

Kind regards,

Alan Manson
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WARNING NOTICES TO INSTALLERS

I have displayed the sign below next to my gas meter:

	<u>NOTICE</u>
DO NOT FIT A SMART METER	To: Smart Meter Installer
The owner does NOT consent to the installation of a Smart Meter.	DO NOT INSTALL A SMART METER AT THIS PROPERTY.
	The owner does NOT consent to any electricity supplier sending you here to enter upon this property for the purpose of installing a 'smart meter'.
	Contact the utility who has been advised in writing not to install a smart meter to this property. Any contact with the property owner must be in writing.
THIS PROPERTY IS OWNED UNDER 'A GRANT IN FEE SIMPLE TITLE' AND TRESPASS APPLIES FOR ENTRY WITHOUT INVITATION OR THE EXPRESS WRITTEN PERMISSION FROM THE PROPERTY OWNER.	
You will be held accountable to the law of our Australian Constitution Act (1900-01) and the Privacy Act for trespassing and are liable for a \$167,000.00 fine.	
NOTICE BY PROPERTY OWNER.....	

This NO TRESPASSING SIGN is attached to my front gate:

WARNING TO ALL SMART METER INSTALLERS
TRESPASSING IS AN OFFENCE
YOU MUST NOT ENTER THIS PROPERTY!
AUTHORITY - High Court of Australia Plenty v. Dillon (1991) 171 CLR 635 F.C. 91/004