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To His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

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Comments

Please see the attached letter regarding an opt-out clause for residents of Saskatoon.

This letter is regarding the implementation of the AMI program and the ability to allow an opt-out.

I am the owner of Shieldwaves EMF Solutions and certified as an Electromagnetic Radiation Specialist (EMRS) by the Building Biology Institute¹. We are trained in the proper procedures for measuring and mitigating electromagnetic fields (EMFs). Customers who have EMF concerns contact me to measure things such as smart meters, cell towers, power lines, house magnetic fields, etc. The reality is you have a small percentage of the population sensitive to electromagnetic fields – initially these people are considered *electrosensitive*, but after prolonged exposure it can become *electrohypersensitivity* (EHS). EHS is an *environmentally-induced disability* that has been around for the past 100 plus years. It has gone by different names including *neurasthenia* (weakening of the nervous system); *microwave sickness, radio wave illness, screen dermatitis, electromagnetic sensitivity*, as well as *idiopathic environmental intolerance* ². The City of Saskatoon has other bylaws which protect citizens regarding health concerns (Bylaw 7990 – Open fires: "Nuisance smoke can negatively affect the health of some people"). The purpose of this letter is to inform Council Members that there is a subset of people who can feel the effects of prolonged EMF exposure and are concerned with having a radiating meter so close to their proximity. Please allow these people the same health consideration you have applied to other members of our beloved city and approve a no-charge opt-out for them.

I can be reached to give more information on this topic if required.

Sincerely,

Bruce Korte

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¹ https://buildingbiologyinstitute.org/find-an-expert/certified-consultants/electromagnetic-radiation-specialists/bruce-korte-emrs/

² https://www.electrosensitivesociety.com/ehs/