House Energy Policy Committee
Tuesday, January 16, 2018
9AM – 10:30AM

Thomas and Sheila Pomaranski
Shelby Township, MI
586-566-5931

Timeline of Communications & Activity with DTE, MI Public Service Commission, Michigan Agency for Energy

Date	Attachment	Correspondence	Contents/Points of Interest	Additional Comments
7/28/2014	A	Letter FROM DTE	• Initial letter announcing upcoming installation of "advanced metering"	
8/11/2014	B	Letter FROM DTE	• DTE Attempted to gain access, access was refused	
2/18/2015	C	Letter TO DTE Advanced Metering Team	• Family health issues reported (in particular, a cancer diagnosis), requested the need for analog meters • Requested a written reply to establish "communications in good faith"	• Meter was locked due to health issues-were pursing further communications and/or accommodations based on medical situation • DTE never responded
9/22/2015	D	Letter FROM DTE	• **Threatening Letter #1** to indicate locked meter is "unsafe condition" • To prevent interruption of service, please remove the locking device	• If "now" this is unsafe condition, why was this safety issue not communicated for over 1 year? • Reached out to local Fire Dept (Fire Chief James Swinkowski) to determine if there was an "unsafe condition" that put our family and neighbors at risk • Responded to DTE 9/28/2015

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9/28/2015	E	Letter TO DTE Joseph McCormick Manager, Advanced Metering Program Cc: House Energy Policy Committee	• Highlighted DTE never responded to prior letter looking for "communication in good faith" • Questioned why this is a safety issue over 1 year later? • Provided information that Shelby Township Fire Chief, James Swinkowski verified this is **NOT** a safety issue for the fire dept. • Indicated HB4916 was being introduced and to install meter would be financially irresponsible-waste of time, money, resources until resolved • Again, requested a written reply to establish "communications in good faith"	• DTE never responded
12/27/2016	F	Letter FROM DTE	• **Threatening Letter #2** indicates locked meter is "unsafe condition" • "Your electric service will be disconnected on or after January 9, 2017"	• If unsafe, why has 1 ¼ years passed with safety issue before additional communications? • Filed a Utility Service Complaint
1/6/2017	G	Utility Complaint Filed with MPSC	• Complaint that DTE was not "communicating in good faith" regarding personal health reasons for locking meter • Complaint that DTE was not providing support evidence for "unsafe condition" conflicting with Fire Dept.	• Case No. 01484247 • MAE responded
1/9/2017	H	MAE Response	• Response contained a lot of legal language, but did not provide support evidence for "unsafe condition"	• Letter to MPSC

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			• Response did not address why the locking device was not a hazard for nearly 1 ½ years • Response did not address the substance of the complaint	
1/23/2017	I	Letter TO MPSC Customer Service Division	• Reported the continuance of the previously filed complaint • Requested MAE address the substance of the complaint	• MPSC never responded
8/3/2017	J	Letter FROM DTE	• **Threatening Letter #3** indicates locked meter is "unsafe condition" • "Your electric service will be disconnected on or after August 22, 2017"	• Letter to DTE • Filed a Utility Service Complaint
8/15/2017	K	Letter TO DTE Manager, Advanced Metering Program Cc: House Energy Policy Committee	• Summarized all prior communications (DTE Certified Mail Receipts, MPSC/MAE Case No, etc.) indicating no response • Identified HB4220 was in process and suggested no action until resolved • Re-iterated personal health concerns and Medical Letter of Recommendation requesting a Legal Provision to Opt-Out of any smart meter devices • Medical Letter of Recommendation requesting a Legal Provision to Opt-Out of any smart meter devices had been posted on our front door for 5 months	• DTE never responded
8/15/2017	L	Utility Complaint Filed with MPSC	• Reported the continuance of the previously filed complaint that was never addressed the substance of the complaint	• MAE responded

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.			• Requested DTE provide substantial and credible evidence (their burden of responsibility) supporting its claim that locking devices create a condition unsafe for our family and our neighbors • Requested an informal hearing with DTE and the MPSC for further investigation	
8/15/2017	M	MAE Email Response	• Indicated this was a previous complaint and could not open a new complaint as this was previously addressed	• The basis of the complaint was never addressed
*****	*****	*****	**AFTER ALL OF THE ABOVE ATTEMPTS AT COMMUNICATION IN GOOD FAITH - SEE BELOW -**	*****
8/23/2017			• **DTE SHUT OFF THE ELECTRICITY TO OUR HOME !** • Thomas Pomaranski was home, mentioned Medical Letter of Recommendation requesting a Legal Provision to Opt-Out of any smart meter devices and waiting for communications from DTE • Also made them aware of pending MPSC complaint and they should not be shutting off electricity while pending • Technicians disregarded that information and shut off the electricity	• This communication was videotaped • Removed locking devices and called DTE to restore electricity • Specifically did not "CHOOSE" a smart meter with or without transmitting ability - CHOSE TO HAVE ELECTRICITY • Specifically communicated the meter cannot be transmitting any radio frequency radiation or voltage transients and harmonics (dirty electricity)

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8/24/2017			• DTE removed 1 digital meter and 1 analog meter for A/C • DTE installed an opt-out meter and attempted to install a 2nd meter for A/C • Sheila Pomaranski strongly communicated she did not want a 2nd meter (did not want ANY form of smart meter) and told technician we will re-route A/C to primary meter • Technician put a cover over the A/C meter box since he was not replacing that meter based on this communication	• This communication was videotaped
8/29/2017			• DTE FINALLY restored electricity to the home • **6 DAYS WITHOUT ELECTRICITY!**	• Used a generator to provide basic electricity for critical use (refrigerator, freezer) • Sheila Pomaranski spent numerous hours over multiple days on the phone with DTE to get the electricity restored • Shelby Township Code Enforcement Officer on premises after neighbor complaints of generator running for 5+ days • We reported DTE is at fault for the lack of timely resolution
*****	*****	*****	**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OF DTE'S HANDLING OF ABOVE ISSUES** **- SEE BELOW -**	*****

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8/31/2017			• While nobody was at home, DTE installed a 2nd smart meter in the A/C meter box that had previously been covered by another DTE technician	• Sheila Pomaranski spent numerous hours over the course of multiple weeks on the phone with DTE to get the 2nd smart meter removed (which was clearly communicated we never wanted to begin with)
9/22/2017			• **DTE FINALLY REMOVED THE 2ND SMART METER THAT WAS STRONGLY REFUSED IN THE FIRST PLACE !**	• **23 DAYS TO REMOVE THE 2ND METER** • Wasted Time, Resources and Money THAT NEVER SHOULD HAVE BEEN SPENT
Current	N		• **DTE still has a meter and meter number on our most current bill for the A/C (January 2018)** • **<u>This meter was removed on 9/22/2017 !</u>**	• Another demonstration of DTE's broken processes and inefficiencies, ultimately costing the customers $
Current	O		• Medical Letter of Recommendation requesting a Legal Provision to Opt-Out of any smart meter devices	• Our Family Physician Diane Culik MD ABC Wellness 26771 West 12 Mile Rd Suite 110 Southfield, MI 48034 855-669-9355

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DTE Energy

07/28/2014

AME**T028*2*AUTO**SCH 5-DIGIT 48315
THOMAS POMARANSKI
46261 COACHWOOD DR
SHELBY TOWNSHIP MI 48315-5603

Regarding: 46261 COACHWOOD DR SHELBY TOWNSHIP MI 48315-5603

Dear DTE Energy Customer:

In the next few weeks, DTE Energy will begin installing advanced metering in your area. This will include upgrading the electric meter at your home or business at no cost to you. In most cases, installation of the new electric meter is simple, requiring a brief, five-minute interruption to your electric service.

You do not need to be present for the meter upgrade, unless the meter is inside your home or business, or inaccessible. A clear path must be provided for us to gain access to our outside and inside metering equipment, which will require all obstructions or obstacles to be removed prior to the meter upgrade.

During the initial installation period, a meter reader will continue to read the meter until your neighborhood is fully upgraded. If you operate **life-support or other sensitive equipment** that DTE Energy may not be aware of, please contact us at **800-477-4747**.

While you may not see a change in service initially, the benefits, as we continue to install the complete advanced metering system, include:

- Access to your energy usage information
- Automatic power outage detection
- Fewer estimated bills
- No need for us to enter your yard or business for meter reading
- Better integration of renewable energy sources

Be assured that the usage data obtained from the meter is fully encrypted and is only used for billing purposes. No personal data is collected or stored by the meter.

The Michigan Public Service Commission has approved a tariff allowing a non-transmitting meter provision commonly referred to as an Opt-Out Program for residential customers. Customers enrolled in the Opt-Out Program will have a non-transmitting, (radio off) digital meter installed and the following fees applied to their account:

- $67.20 AMI Opt-Out Initial Fee
- $9.80 AMI Opt-Out Monthly Charge

To enroll in the Opt-Out Program, please call **800.477.4747** to speak with a customer representative.

Our Advanced Metering program is creating the path to your home's energy future. For more information, please visit us online at **dteenergy.com/advancedmeter**. We look forward to providing you with this new technology and enhanced level of service.

Sincerely,

The Advanced Metering Team

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DTE Energy

08/11/2014

AM2**T037*2*******AUTO**3-DIGIT 483
THOMAS POMARANSKI
46261 COACHWOOD DR
SHELBY TOWNSHIP MI 48315-5603

Regarding: 46261 COACHWOOD DR SHELBY TOWNSHIP MI 48315-5603

Dear DTE Electric Customer:

This letter is to inform you that we are replacing DTE's **electric** meters in homes and businesses in your area. These meters are being replaced at no cost to you and will only take a few minutes to install.

Our records indicate that a DTE field representative has attempted to gain access to our metering equipment to replace the meter at the above referenced site address. However, the field representative reported the meter replacement could not be completed because access to our metering equipment was refused.

The terms under which you take service authorizes DTE representatives to access your premises for a number of reasons, including but not limited to installing, inspecting, maintaining, reading and/or replacing its meters. Pursuant to Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) **Rule 460.137** a utility may shut off or terminate service if the customer has refused to arrange access at reasonable times for the purpose of inspection, meter reading, maintenance, or replacement of equipment that is installed upon the premises, or for the removal of a meter.

The Michigan Public Service Commission has approved an Opt-Out Program for residential customers. Customers enrolled in the Opt-Out Program will have a non-transmitting, (radio off) digital meter installed and the following fees applied to their account:

- $67.20 AMI Opt-Out Initial Fee
- $9.80 AMI Opt-Out Monthly Charge

It is imperative that we gain access to our metering equipment and we need your cooperation. Please contact us at **1.800.477.4747** no later than **30 days from the date of the letter** to arrange access to our metering equipment. If you would like to enroll in the Opt-Out program, please inform the representative when you contact us. Whether you choose to enroll in the Opt-Out Program or not, we still need access to our metering equipment.

Thank you in advance for your immediate response and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Advanced Metering Team

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Sheila Pomaranski
46261 Coachwood Dr.
Shelby Township, MI 48315
2/18/2015

Advanced Metering Team
DTE Energy Company
One Energy Plaza
Detroit, MI 48226

To DTE and the DTE Advanced Metering Team:

This letter is in response to your correspondence dated 8/11/2014.

I will participate in the opt-out program and pay all associated fees. However, I must keep my existing electric and gas analog meters **and need the current electric digital meter removed and replaced by an analog meter.** I must have my electricity and gas usage monitored by an analog meter or another meter that does not generate voltage transients and harmonics, transmit wirelessly, and have any antennas (whether or not the radio for those antennas is disabled). This is to prevent any further health problems in our household that my family has experienced since the installation of the digital meter and mass deployment of smart meters in my neighborhood. My analog meters have worked perfectly. They will continue to allow you to meter my electric and gas usage. Consumers Energy is allowing their customers to keep their analog meters if they so desire. Moreover, the Michigan Court of Appeals is hearing an appeal of the DTE opt-out program.

I expect a *written* reply to this correspondence.

I reserve the right to contest all aspects of the opt-out program. This letter does not waive any rights or arguments I may bring in court.

Sincerely,

Sheila Pomaranski
586-566-5931

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DTE Energy Company
One Energy Plaza, Detroit, MI 48226-1221

DTE Energy

September 22, 2015

IMMEDIATE REPLY REQUIRED

Thomas Pomaranski
46261 Coachwood Dr.
Shelby Township, MI 48315-5603

Regarding: 46261 Coachwood Dr, Shelby Township, MI

Dear Mr. Pomaranski:

This is a follow-up to our letter informing you that the Michigan Public Service (MPSC) approved DTE Electric Company's proposed plan to offer residential customers an opt-out of our Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Program. Our letter provided you with the requirements for opting out and instructions to contact us if you would like to participate in the Opt-Out Program. Additionally, the letter clearly stated that if you do not contact us to enroll in the Opt-Out Program, we will proceed with the installation of the advanced meter.

During a recent visit to the above address, we found that a locking device was installed that prevented us access to our metering equipment. This condition is unsafe for your family and your neighbors. Pursuant to Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) Rule **460.136**, a utility may shut off service temporarily for reasons of health or safety. For these reasons, your electric service will be disconnected without further notice if you do not remove the locking device and contact us immediately so that we can proceed with the installation of the advanced meter. If your service is interrupted, you will be required to pay a reconnect fee to have your service restored.

To prevent interruption of your electric service, please remove the locking device and call us at 313-235-5996 to arrange to have the new advanced meter installed.

If you would like to enroll in our Opt-Out Program, make us aware of that decision when you contact us so that a non-transmitting advanced meter can be installed.

Please note that providing access to our metering equipment is not optional-it is a requirement that customers must comply with, and we appreciate your cooperation.

Thank you for being a valued DTE Electric customer.

Sincerely,

Joseph A. McCormick

Joseph A. McCormick
Manager, Advanced Metering Program

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September 28, 2015

Thomas & Sheila Pomaranski
46261 Coachwood Dr.
Shelby Township, MI 48315

Joseph A. McCormick
DTE Energy Company - Manager, Advanced Metering Program
One Energy Plaza
Detroit, MI 48226-1221

Dear Mr. McCormick,

This letter is in response to correspondence we recently received from DTE, dated September 22, 2015. This letter is to serve as our Immediate Reply. DTE's correspondence indicated that prior instructions were provided for participation in the Advanced Metering Opt-Out program - to contact DTE, and implied that we never responded.

For the record, we have a Certified Mail Receipt (7014 2120 0004 1587 4240 – delivered to DTE on February 20, 2015) for our correspondence, indicating our concurrence to participate in the Opt-Out Program under specific circumstances. Additional criteria were provided (to keep the one current analog meter, and replace the current digital meter with an analog meter) as the Michigan Court of Appeals was hearing an appeal to the DTE Opt-Out Program at that time. We requested, but never received a written reply to this correspondence.

This latest correspondence from DTE indicated that a locking device was creating an unsafe condition for our family and neighbors. It is interesting that this not been brought to our attention by DTE until now. The locking device has been in place for over 1 year and DTE has been on the property and has had knowledge of the device. We are curious as to what the safety issue is and how that would prompt a service interruption.

Also, we spoke to the Shelby Township Fire Chief, James Swinkowski on the subject of safety. He reported that many buildings and businesses in Shelby Township have locking devices on their meters and power supply units FOR safety reasons. He assured me that the Fire Department has a "Universal Key" and that they can get access to everything, including a halogen tool to punch out locking devices if necessary. He also stated that when responding to small fires, they don't need access to metering devices and simply pull the circuit breakers. For larger fires, they may need to pull the meter, but have the tools to do so. From the Fire Chief's perspective, having a meter with a locking device DOES NOT PRESENT A SAFETY ISSUE.

As an additional note, last week **HB4916** was introduced by Representatives Gary Glenn and Rose Mary Robinson (supported by Attorney General Bill Schuette) which would allow utility customers in Michigan to choose between new, advanced metering and existing equipment to measure their home energy usage. Many other states currently offer metering choice to their customers. Based on this pending legislation in Michigan, we would recommend that no action be taken to install Advanced Metering on our home until this legislation is settled. This would simply be a waste of time, money and resources, which is contrary to DTE claims of promoting savings in these areas.

As stated in our February correspondence with regard to the Opt-Out Program, we reserve the right to contest all aspects of the program. This letter does not waive any rights or arguments we may bring up in court.

We have and will continue to actively protect the health of our family from any environmental hazards, since significant health issues, like cancer, have compromised our household. I am sure you can appreciate our concern for protecting our health, if you have ever witnessed a close family member or friend that has experienced compromised health such as this.

It is our expectation that written reply from DTE will be provided before any further action is taken.

Respectfully,

Thomas Pomaranski
586-566-5931

Sheila Pomaranski
586-566-5931

cc:

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DTE Energy Company
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DTE Energy

IMMEDIATE REPLY REQUIRED

December 27, 2016

Mr. Thomas Pomaranski
46261 Coachwood Dr
Shelby Township, MI 48315-5603

Regarding: 46261 Coachwood Dr, Shelby Township, MI 48315-5603

Dear Mr. Pomaranski:

This is a follow-up to our letter informing you that the Michigan Public Service (MPSC) approved DTE Electric Company's proposed plan to offer residential customers an opt-out of our Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Program. Our letter provided you with the requirements for opting out and instructions to contact us if you would like to participate in the Opt-Out Program. Additionally, the letter clearly stated that if you do not contact us to enroll in the Opt-Out Program, we will proceed with the installation of the advanced meter.

During a recent visit to the above address, we found that a locking device was installed that prevented us access to our metering equipment. This condition is unsafe for your family and your neighbors. Pursuant to Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) Rule **460.136**, a utility may shut off service temporarily for reasons of health or safety. **For these reasons, your electric service will be disconnected on or after January 9, 2017, if you do not remove the locking device and contact us immediately so that we can proceed with the installation of the advanced meter.** If your service is interrupted, you may be required to pay a reconnect fee to have your service restored.

To prevent interruption of your electric service, please remove the locking device and call us at 1.800.441.6698 to arrange to have the new advanced meter installed. Our office hours are Monday – Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

If you would like to enroll in our Opt-Out Program, make us aware of that decision when you contact us. This program allows for a non-transmitting, (radio off) advanced meter to be installed and the following fees will be assessed to your account.

- $67.20 AMI Opt-Out Initial Fee
- $9.80 AMI Opt-Out Monthly Charge

Please note that providing access to our metering equipment is not optional-it is a requirement that customers must comply with, and we appreciate your cooperation.

Thank you for being a valued DTE Electric customer.

Sincerely,

DTE Energy

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In a letter dated September 22, 2015— over 15 months ago—DTE asserted that the locking device on our meter was a "condition is unsafe for your family and your neighbors." The letter told us that our electric service would be shut off "without further notice if you do not remove the locking device and contact us immediately so that we can proceed with the installation of the advanced meter." We replied immediately (as requested) to DTE via a letter sent September 28, 2015, and requested a written response to our letter. We did not receive one. In our letter we stated: "The latest correspondence from DTE indicated that a locking device was creating an unsafe condition for our family and neighbors. It is interesting that this has not been brought to our attention by DTE until now. The locking device has been in place for over 1 year and DTE has been on the property and has had knowledge of the device. We are curious as to what the safety issue is and how that would prompt a service interruption."

DTE did not respond to our queries. Our electric service was not disconnected. Presumably our locking device no longer created a condition that DTE deemed unsafe for our family and our neighbors. Now, over 15 months later, we have again received a letter from DTE. This letter, dated December 27, 2016, postmarked December 28, 2016, was received by us several days after the new year. Like the September 2015 letter from DTE, this letter alleges that the locking device on our meter is a health and safety hazard.

DTE has provided no information on why our locking device is a hazard. We requested such information in 2015 and received no response, and DTE has provided no such information in its September 2015 not its December 2016 letters.

We request that DTE provide us with substantial and credible evidence supporting its claim that our locking device creates a condition unsafe for our family and our neighbors. Fire departments do not consider such locking devices unsafe. We further request that DTE provide credible evidence on why our locking device was not a hazard between the end of September 2015 and the end of December 2016 but has now, in DTE's view, become one again.

Thank you.

Sent as a Utility Service Complaint
on 1/6/17 @ www.dleg.state.mi.us/mpsc/complaint

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Your complaint has been successfully received.

A staff member from the appropriate Service Quality Section will contact you within five to ten business days.

MPSC Home

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MAE RESPONSE TO UTILITY COMPLAINT JANUARY 2017

January 9, 2017

Tom Pomaranski
46261 Coachwood Dr
Shelby Township MI 48315

Dear Tom Pomaranski:

RE: Case No. 01484247

Thank you for contacting the Michigan Agency for Energy (MAE) regarding your concerns related to smart meters. This letter will update you with information about the Michigan Public Service Commission ("MPSC" or "Commission") investigation and order regarding the deployment of smart meters for electric service.

The MPSC's position is that DTE Energy is a business that is able to choose the equipment that they use to serve their customers. DTE Energy has made the decision to deploy smart meters to better serve their customers.

DTE Energy's smart meters measure and record the amount of electricity and/or natural gas used in a home or business, just like the electromechanical meters that have been working on homes and businesses for years. Instead of the gears and dials in older meters, advanced meters use digital technology and have no moving parts. The smart meter gives DTE Energy the ability to read the meter remotely. Once installation in an area is complete, DTE Energy will no longer need to enter yards, homes or businesses to read the meter. This will virtually eliminate the number of estimated bills received. Customers will also have access up-to-date energy usage information and will help DTE Energy pinpoint outages and respond more quickly.

Because DTE Energy does own your current meter, they do have the right to access your meter for inspection, reading, maintenance, replacement, or removal per MPSC's Consumer Standards and Billing Practices for Electrical and Gas Residential Service:

R 460.137 Shutoff permitted.
Rule 37. Subject to the requirements of these rules, a utility may shut off or terminate service to a residential customer for any of the following reasons:
(e) The customer has refused to arrange access at reasonable times for the purpose of inspection, meter reading, maintenance, or replacement of equipment that is installed upon the premises, or for the removal of a meter.

A locking device would prevent them from properly accessing their equipment. As a customer, you do

have the right to have the transmitter that is on the Smart Meter disabled. This is outlined in the "opt out" program, detailed below. Please note that DTE Energy will still replace the old analog meter, with a new digital one. The "opt-out" only disables the radio transmitter on the meter.

On January 12, 2012, the Commission opened a docket for the purpose of launching an investigation into the deployment of smart meters in Michigan. On June 29, 2012, Commission Staff, in response to the Commission's own motion, delivered a report addressing the installation of smart meters by regulated utilities in Michigan. This case can be viewed at www.michigan.gov/mpsc. Click to the left on E-Dockets; the docket number is U-17000.

The Commission Staff report contained an overview of information and public comments. The report states that Staff is recommending utilities offer a residential opt-out program, called a non-transmitting meter provision, however, "opt-out" customers will not receive the same individual customer benefits as advanced metering infrastructure (AMI) customers.

On September 11, 2012, the Commission issued an Order accepting the Staff's June 29, 2012 report on AMI meters and directed all investor-owned utilities to make available a non-transmitting meter provision, based on cost-of-service principles, for their customers if or when the provider elects to implement AMI. Both Detroit Electric Company (DTE) and Consumers Energy (CE) filed applications which were assigned individual docket numbers.

DTE filed their Application Requesting Approval of its Advanced Metering Infrastructure Opt-Out Program for Residential Customers on July 31, 2012 in Docket No U-17053 prior to the September 11, 2012 Commission Order. On May 15, 2013, the Commission adopted rates as follows: initial fee of $67.20 to have a non-transmitting meter(s) installed at their service location, and $9.80 per month to have the meter read manually. The order contained the following language that appears in DTE's tariff:

APPLICABILITY: Available to individual residential electric customers at a specific site location who elect to have a non-transmitting meter(s) installed at their premises. A Customer electing this Non-Transmitting Meter Provision will have a non-transmitting meter(s) installed at the customer's service location, have the meter read manually and be subjected to the following charges.

Rates: Initial fee: $67.20 per request
Monthly Charge: $9.80 per month

A Customer electing to have a non-transmitting meter and who already has a transmitting meter installed at their premise will have their meter changed to a non-transmitting meter. A Customer, who has not had their current meter replaced by a transmitting meter at the time they request to have a non-transmitting meter, will temporarily retain their current meter until such a time as transmitting meters in their area are installed and subsequently will receive a non-transmitting meter. A Customer who has not had their current meter replaced by a transmitting meter and requests a non-transmitting meter will pay the initial fee at the time they request this option but will not pay the monthly charge

until transmitting meters are installed in their area.

The Commission will continue to protect the interests of ratepayers by reviewing the expenditures associated with the program for reasonableness and prudence. DTE's filing can be viewed at www.michigan.gov/mpsc. Click to the left on E-Dockets, the docket number is U-17053.

Also, in the September 11, 2012 Order in Docket No. U-17000, the Commission opened a separate docket to deal with issues concerning customer data collection and privacy. On October 31, 2012, a new docket number was established by the Commission to address these issues, U-17102. DTE provided information and comments, and filed proposed customer data privacy tariffs in this case. On October 17, 2013, the Commission approved DTE's tariffs that govern these privacy issues that limit the collection, use or disclosure of any customer information to accomplishing primary utility purposes only. The utility must obtain informed consent from customers in advance if the utility wishes to collect, use or disclose customer information for a secondary, non-utility purpose. DTE must display a link to their customer data privacy tariff prominently on their website. This entire case can be viewed electronically. Please be sure to reference Docket No. U-17102.

The United States federal government and the international health community, including the World Health Organization, plus numerous independent studies have deemed low-level radio frequency (RF) to be completely safe. The Federal Communications Commission has adopted Maximum Permissible Exposure limits for radio transmitters of all types, including smart meters. These limits also include a prudent margin of safety. Even so, smart meters operate far below the limit. The RF waves used in smart meters are less than many familiar products including cell phones, televisions, microwave ovens, and wireless laptops.

Again, thank you for contacting the MAE and allowing me to assist you with your concerns. If you should have other utility-related complaints in the future, you may contact the utility company at their toll free number, or the MAE toll-free at 800-292-9555 or via e-mail at www.michigan.gov/energy.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Haney, Regulation Officer
Compliance & Investigation Section
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January 23, 2017

Tom & Sheila Pomaranski
46261 Coachwood Dr.
Shelby Township, MI 48315

MPSC
Customer Service Division
P.O. Box 30221
Lansing, MI 48909

This letter serves as a continuation of the informal complaint we filed with your agency regarding DTE Energy's letter dated December 27, 2016. Our original complaint, filed via the Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) online informal complaint form on January 6, 2017, gives a sequential history of the letters we have received from DTE alleging that the locking device on our meter is a "condition" that " is unsafe for your family and your neighbors." We received one such letter in September 2015 and a second letter in early January 2017. We responded to the first letter via a letter to DTE requesting information on why the locking device was a safety hazard. We received no further communications from DTE until the letter they sent dated December 27, 2016. This letter was substantially the same as the September 2015 letter, with the exception of the proposed shut-off date. The two letters we received from DTE are attached to this complaint.

In a letter dated January 9, 2017, the Michigan Agency for Energy (MAE) replied to our complaint. The reply was not responsive to the substantive and evidentiary issues we raised and did not address DTE's reasons for shut-off under Rule 460.136.

Our initial informal complaint should be referred to for detail regarding DTE's letters to us, our response, and the basis of our complaint

MAE Fails to Address the Issues Raised in Our Complaint and
Fails to Address the Basis for Shut-off DTE Claims in Its Two Letters to Us

The December 27, 2016 letter sent to our family by DTE states that they will shut off our power because of the "unsafe" condition caused by the locking device on our meter housing unless the locking device is removed. We filed an informal complaint with your agency in which we requested that DTE provide us with substantial and credible evidence supporting its claim that our locking device creates a condition

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unsafe for our family and our neighbors. We further requested that DTE provide credible evidence as to why our locking device was not a hazard between the end of September 2015 and the end of December 2016 but has now, in DTE's view, become an unsafe condition again.

In response to our informal complaint, the Michigan Agency for Energy sent a letter to us dated January 9, 2017. This letter fails to address the substance of the DTE letter and fails to address the substance of our complaint. The MAE response fails to provide any credible evidence (in fact, provides no evidence at all) to support DTE's claim that the locking device on our meter housing is a condition that is "unsafe for your family and your neighbors." The MAE response does not even mention "unsafe" conditions. It does address many matters unrelated to our complaint and for which we did not seek relief or information on in our complaint.

In its December 27, 2016 letter to us, DTE states:

> During a recent visit to the above address, we found that a locking device was installed that prevented us access to our metering equipment. This condition is unsafe for your family and your neighbors. Pursuant to Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) Rule **460.136,** a utility may shut off service temporarily for reasons of health or safety. **For these reasons, your electric service will be disconnected <u>on or after January 9, 2017,</u> if you do not remove the locking device and contact us immediately so that we can proceed with the installation of the advanced meter.**

(Emphases in the original.)

In our original complaint, filed January 6, 2017, we requested "that DTE provide us with substantial and credible evidence supporting its claim that our locking device creates a condition unsafe for our family and our neighbors." We further requested "that DTE provide credible evidence on why our locking device was not a hazard between the end of September 2015 and the end of December 2016 but has now, in DTE's view, become one again."

DTE cites Rule 460.136 and the allegedly unsafe condition as the basis for service interruption, yet the MAE addressed neither the basis nor Rule 136 in its reply to us. Instead, the MAE discussed Rule 460.137. The only similarity between Rule 136 and Rule 137 is that both rules deal with shut-offs. Rule 136, which DTE cites as the basis for its right to shut off our power, deals with emergency shut-offs. The rule states:

R 460.136 Emergency shutoff.

Rule 36. Notwithstanding any other provision of these rules, a utility may shut off service temporarily for reasons of health or safety or in a state or national emergency.

In our original complaint, and in our letter to DTE of September 2015, we asked that we be provided with evidence to support the claim that our locking device creates a hazard. We have not been provided with such evidence. In our complaint, we also requested that we be provided with credible evidence as to why the locking device ceased to be a hazard warranting emergency shut-off between September 2015 and December 2016.

Instead of responding to the content of our complaint, and instead of providing evidence to support or undermine DTE's claim that it may shut us off under Rule 136, the MAE ignored DTE's claim and our complaint entirely. Instead, it drew our attention to Rule 137, subsection (e).[1] It introduced that rule with the following paragraph:

> Because DTE Energy does own your current meter, they do have the right to access your meter for inspection, reading, maintenance, replacement, or removal per MPSC's Consumer Standards and Billing Practices for Electrical and Gas Residential Service.

It then provided the title, first paragraph, and subsection (e) of the rule as follows:

> **R 460.137 Shutoff permitted.**
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> Rule 37. Subject to the requirements of these rules, a utility may shut off or terminate service to a residential customer for any of the following reasons:
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> (e) The customer has refused to arrange access at reasonable times for the purpose of inspection, meter reading, maintenance, or replacement of equipment that is installed upon the premises, or for the removal of a meter.

Following the rule quotation, the MAE stated:

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[1] In its letter to us, the MAE failed to note that it was citing specifically to this subsection, and did not provide elision marks between the first paragraph of the rule and subsection (e) to alert us to the fact that subsections (a)–(d) had been elided.

A locking device would prevent them from properly accessing their equipment. As a customer, you do have the right to have the transmitter that is on the Smart Meter disabled. This is outlined in the "opt out" program detailed below. Please note that DTE Energy will still replace the old analog meter, with a new digital one. The "opt-out" only disables the radio transmitter on the meter.

The MAE's citation of Rule 137 fails to address the basis of DTE's claim, which, as DTE stated twice in its letters to us, is Rule 136. Nowhere in its letters to us does DTE cite to Rule 137. The MAE's citation of Rule 137 fails to address our complaint, which requested that DTE provide credible and substantial evidence supporting its claim that our locking device was a condition hazardous to the health and safety of our family and our neighbors.

MAE's Response Addresses Numerous Issues That Were Not Part of Our Complaint, Yet Fails to Address the Issue That Was the Basis of Our Complaint

The MAE addressed numerous issues that were not part of our complaint, and also mischaracterizes the nature of our complaint. Nowhere in its reply to us did the MAE quote from, restate, or refer to our complaint. The MAE begins its letter by thanking us for contacting the MAE "regarding your concerns about smart meters." We did not contact the MAE with concerns about smart meters. As stated in our original complaint and above, we contacted them with a complaint regarding DTE's claim that the locking device on our meter housing is an unsafe condition warranting shut-off.

In the second sentence, the MAE states: "This letter will update you with information about the Michigan Public Service Commission ('MPSC' or 'Commission') investigation and order regarding the deployment of smart meters for electric service." We did not contact the MAE with a request for an informational update regarding their deployment.

The rest of the MAE letter also fails to address the basis of our complaint. Instead, it provides information on issues ranging from some of the characteristics of smart meters to Michigan Public Service Commission orders. In addition it, as noted above, discusses Rule 137, which is not the basis of our complaint nor of DTE's letters to us.

Relief Requested

We request that the MAE address the substance of our claim.

We request that DTE provide us with substantial and credible evidence supporting its claim that our locking device creates a condition unsafe for our family and our neighbors. We further request that DTE provide credible evidence on why our locking device was not a hazard between the end of September 2015 and the end of December 2016 but has now, in DTE's view, become one again.

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DTE Energy

August 3, 2017

IMMEDIATE REPLY REQUIRED

Mr Thomas Pomaranski
46261 Coachwood Dr
Shelby Township, MI 48315

Regarding: 46261 Coachwood Dr, Shelby Township, MI 48315

Dear Mr Pomaranski:

This is a follow-up to our letter informing you that the Michigan Public Service (MPSC) approved DTE Electric Company's proposed plan to offer residential customers an opt-out of our Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Program. Our letter provided you with the requirements for opting out and instructions to contact us if you would like to participate in the Opt-Out Program. Additionally, the letter clearly stated that if you do not contact us to enroll in the Opt-Out Program, we will proceed with the installation of the advanced meter.

During a recent visit to the above address, we found that a locking device was installed that prevented us access to our metering equipment. This condition is unsafe for your family and your neighbors. Pursuant to Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) Rule **460.136**, a utility may shut off service temporarily for reasons of health or safety. **For these reasons, your electric service will be disconnected on or after August 22, 2017, if you do not remove the locking device and contact us immediately so that we can proceed with the installation of the advanced meter.** If your service is interrupted, you may be required to pay a reconnect fee to have your service restored.

To prevent interruption of your electric service, **please remove the locking device and call us at 1.800.441.6698, and press prompt #2** to arrange to have the new advanced meter installed. Our office hours are Monday – Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

If you would like to enroll in our Opt-Out Program, make us aware of that decision when you contact us. This program allows for a non-transmitting, (radio off) advanced meter to be installed and the following fees will be assessed to your account:

- $67.20 AMI Opt-Out Initial Fee
- $9.80 AMI Opt-Out Monthly Charge

Please note that providing access to our metering equipment is not optional-it is a requirement that customers must comply with, and we appreciate your cooperation.

Thank you for being a valued DTE Electric customer.

Sincerely,

DTE Energy

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August 15, 2017

DTE Energy Company – Manager, Advanced Metering Program
One Energy Plaza
Detroit, MI 48226-1221

To Whom It May Concern,

This letter is in response to correspondence we recently received from DTE, dated August 3, 2017. This letter is to serve as our [illegible]. It is also a reminder that we have been communicating with DTE and the MPSC, in good faith, to keep communications open regarding the installation of an Advanced Metering Device (smart meter) and/or participating in the Opt-Out Program (also MPSC/MAE Case No. 01484247).

DTE's letter implies we have not contacted DTE regarding the Opt-Out Program. For the record, we have a Certified Mail Receipt (7014 2120 0004 1587 4240 – delivered to DTE on February 20, 2015) for our correspondence, indicating our concurrence to participate in the Opt-Out Program under specific circumstances. Additional criteria were provided (to keep the one current analog meter, and replace the current digital meter with an analog meter) as the Michigan Court of Appeals was hearing an appeal to the DTE Opt-Out Program at that time. We requested, **but never received** a written reply to this correspondence.

Currently, **HB 4220** is in the process of being discussed in the House Energy Committee and when approved, will provide Meter Choice to Michigan utility customers. As we have clearly indicated our desire to choose analog equipment that continues to function, it would be a waste of time, money and resources to install different equipment until **HB 4220** is resolved. It is our understanding that DTE is trying to be cost effective, so to remove and replace equipment multiple times seems to go against the cost savings they are trying to realize.

DTE's letter indicates that if we "do not contact DTE to enroll in the Opt-Out Program, DTE will proceed with the installation of the Advanced Meter". This note is to serve as our contact/communication regarding the participation in the Opt-Out Program (with existing equipment), so therefore, no installation of an Advanced Meter will be necessary. As stated in our February correspondence with regard to the Opt-Out Program, we reserve the right to contest all aspects of the program, and this letter does not waive any rights or arguments we may bring up in court.

Additionally, we have in our possession and posted at our home a Medical Letter of Recommendation from our Family Physician requesting a Legal Provision to Opt-Out of Smart Meter devices. We have and will continue to actively protect the health of our family from any environmental hazards, since significant health issues, like cancer, have compromised our household. I am sure you can appreciate our concern for protecting our health, if you have ever witnessed a close family member or friend that has experienced compromised health such as this.

It is our expectation that a written reply from DTE will be provided before any further action is taken.

Respectfully,

Thomas Pomaranski
586-566-5931

Sheila Pomaranski
586-566-5931

cc:

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August 15, 2017 – Submission to MPSC as Utility Service Complaint

As a continuation of Case No. 01484247, I would like to establish a new/additional complaint. Please review this previous Case No. for some background and context.

After submitting a response to the MPSC on Case No. 01484247, postmarked 1/24/17, **we never received any further communication from the MPSC or DTE.** The request in our response was that DTE provide us with substantial and credible evidence supporting its claim that our locking device creates a condition unsafe for our family and our neighbors. We also requested that DTE provide credible evidence on why our locking device was not a hazard for over 15 months, but had become a hazard (again) in DTE's view. Again, **there was no response provided to us**.

In performing our due diligence, we have had conversations with the Shelby Township Fire Chief asking about any safety concerns of the locking devices. He responded that many buildings in Shelby Township **HAVE** locking devices on their meters and power supply **FOR** safety reasons. He assured us that the Fire Department has a "Universal Key" and that they can get access to everything, including a halogen tool to punch out locking devices if necessary. In his experience as a Fire Chief, having a locking device **DOES NOT** impose a safety hazard to us or our neighbors.

We recently received another letter from DTE (dated August 3, 2017). This letter was very similar to the others we have received in the past. The letter threatens interruption of electric service as the locking device is a condition "unsafe for your family and your neighbors". We have consistently requested from DTE via Certified Mail and the MPSC that DTE provide credible evidence supporting the claim that the locking device creates an unsafe condition. This has never been addressed and we continue to get letters from DTE that threaten service interruption.

OUR REQUEST - We request that DTE provide us with substantial and credible evidence supporting its claim that our locking device creates a condition unsafe for our family and our neighbors. Fire departments do not consider such locking devices unsafe. We further request that DTE provide credible evidence on why our locking device was not a hazard between September 2015 and December 2016 and between December 2016 and August 2017 but has now (again), in DTE's view, become one.

If DTE cannot provide credible evidence to support their claims (**we believe they have this responsibility to their customers**) and continues to threaten with service interruption, we would like to pursue some additional steps. We would like to request an informal hearing with DTE and the MPSC for further investigation.

Thank you.

Sent as a Utility Service Complaint
on 8/15/17 @ www.dleg.state.mi.us/mpsc/complaint

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MAE RESPONSE TO UTILITY COMPLAINT AUGUST 2017

Good afternoon, Mr Pomaranski,

It appears we worked with you regarding this complaint in January, 2017. At that time, Ms. Haney, in or office, informed you that the company is within their rights to shut off service if there is a locking device on your meter. I have included a copy of the letter she sent you on January 9, 2017 with this email.

I am unable to open a new complaint for you at this time regarding the same issues that have previously been addressed. This is per Rule 460.166 Same Dispute. This rule states that The commission staff may dismiss a subsequent informal appeal that involves the same question or issue based upon the same facts without following every proceed set forth in these rules.

Again, thank you for contacting the MAE and allowing me to assist you. If you have any utility questions or concerns in the future, please do not hesitate to contact our office by calling 800-292-9555.

Sincerely,

MeAgan Emmons, Regulation Officer
Compliance & Investigation Section

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About 400 people die each year from CO exposure in the U.S. To learn more about the silent killer, visit dteenergy.com/CO

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Detail of Current Charges

'or Service at 46261 Coachwood Dr, Shelby Township, MI

)TE Electric Company Residential Electric Service

Current Charges

Power Supply Charges		
Power Supply Energy	510 KWH @ 0.080350	40.98
	552 KWH @ 0.095990	52.99
Power Supply Cost Recovery	1062 KWH @ -0.000870	−0.92
Delivery Charges		
Service Charge		7.50
Distribution	1062 KWH @ 0.055760	59.22
Energy Waste Reduction	1062 KWH @ 0.003396	3.61
LIEAF Factor		0.93
Elec. AMI Opt Out flat Fee		9.80
Nuclear Surcharge	1062 KWH @ 0.000728	0.77
Transitional Recovery Mechanism	1062 KWH @ 0.001356	1.44
U-18255 IS	1062 KWH @ 0.004105	4.36
Residential Michigan Sales Tax		7.19
Total DTE Electric Company Current Charges		**187.87**

Current Billing Information

Service Period	Dec 5, 2017 - Jan 3, 2018
Days Billed	30
Meter Number	**9154767 03**
Meter Reading	3628 Actual - 4690 Actual
KWH Used	1062

Your next scheduled meter read date is on or around FEB 5, 2018

Usage History - Average per day

	Current Month	Last Month	Year Ago
KWH Usage	35.4	37.6	41.4
Change		-6%	-14%

)TE Electric Company Interruptible Heating / Cooling Service

Current Charges

Power Supply Charges		
Power Supply Energy	0 KWH @ 0.043920	0.00
Power Supply Cost Recovery	0 KWH @ -0.000870	0.00
Delivery Charges		
Service Charge		0.00
Distribution	0 KWH @ 0.055760	0.00
Energy Waste Reduction	0 KWH @ 0.003396	0.00
Nuclear Surcharge	0 KWH @ 0.000728	0.00
Total DTE Electric Company Current Charges		**0.00**

Current Billing Information

Service Period	Dec 5, 2017 - Jan 3, 2018
Days Billed	30
Meter Number	**4703276 03**
Meter Reading	26290 Est. - 26290 Est.
KWH Used	0

Your next scheduled meter read date is on or around FEB 5, 2018

Usage History - Average per day

	Current Month	Last Month	Year Ago
KWH Usage	0.0	0.0	0.0
Change		0%	0%

)TE Gas Company HPP Monthly Ultimate Protection

Current Charges

Ultimate Protection Plan***	30.95
Total DTE Gas Company Current Charges	**30.95**

Service Period	Dec 1, 2017 - Jan 3, 2018
Days Billed	34

***This service is unregulated by the Michigan Public Service Commission.

Total Current Charges **218.82**

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For more information on your bill or alternative payment methods, call 800.477.4747, visit dteenergy.com, or write to DTE Energy, One Energy Plaza, Detroit, MI 48226-1221 before the due date.

)TE Electric Company and DTE Gas Company are DTE Energy subsidiaries and are regulated by the Michigan Public Service Commission, Lansing, Michigan.

April 2, 2017

Letter of Recommendation for Providing Patients a Legal Provision to opt-out of Smart Meters.

To Whom it May Concern,

I am a Board Certified Family Physician in the Detroit suburbs and I have been appalled at the numbers of patients who have been affected medically by smart meters on their homes. I hear complaints and real concerns regularly.

One of the families I care for is a perfect example of the numerous medical complications that occurred after a smart meter was put on their home.
The Pomaranski family consists of the parents and their 3 daughters.

Thomas Pomaranski, aged 60 and his wife Sheila, age 53 have daughters Jessica, age 25, and Melissa, age 23 plus Dana 14.
Below is a List of Health Symptoms that the Pomaranski Family has noticed and had concerns of since their home has a Convertible Smart Meter.

Sensory

- Pressure in the head
- Feelings in body (dull & sharp pains)
- Ringing/Buzzing in ears
- Burning Sensation on Back of Tongue, Top of Throat, Teeth Discomfort

Physiological

- Unusually Strong/Hard Heart Beat
- Headaches/Migraine
- Respiratory Issues that won't go away
- Depression
- Clenching Teeth at Night
- Fatigue

Nervous System

- Lapses in thought processes – having to pause to think about tasks in process or sentences
- Muscle Weakness
- Insomnia – Waking up and unable to return to sleep

I have found no other medical conditions or explanations for these myriad of symptoms, other than the exposure to the smart meter on their home.

The mother, Sheila Pomaranski, has had a diagnosis of cancer and certainly with the research on EMF exposure and cancers she should be able to legally have an option to refuse a smart meter on her home.

If you have any questions you could contact my patients as below, or my medical office.

Thomas and Sheila Pomaranski
pommom@wowway.com
46261 Coachwood Dr.
Shelby Township, Macomb County, MI 48315
Convertible Digitial Meter - Itron CL200 240V 3W TYPE C1S 30TA 1.0 Kh

Sincerely,

Diane Culik MD

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