

7 Best Alliant IUB Complaint Points

Plus 17 additional opt out points for a statewide or countywide smart meter moratorium

Divide Your Complaint into two sections.

Section One: BEST COMPLAINTS (not RF-related, since any RF complaints would probably be, and probably seen by the IUB, as satisfied by Alliant's non-smart meter)

Section Two: RF Complaints Complaints regarding second-hand radiation and electrosmog (EMF radiation-related) These the IUB would probably feel are satisfied by Alliant's non-smart meter, unless we can prove otherwise by measuring and inspecting sample meters. However, these complaints would certainly be important for a countywide or statewide moratorium.

SECTION ONE BEST COMPLAINTS Plse use your own wording

1. **Alliant is charging opt-out fees** to avoid radiation which Alliant states is similar to that of other wireless devices, which thousands of published studies have shown to be potentially lethal. Some states have ruled these opt out fees unlawful.

Michigan bans opt out fees

<http://www.annarbor.com/news/attorney-general-says-dte-energys-smart-meter-opt-out-fees-not-justified/>

Vermont bans opt out fees

<http://emfsafetynetwork.org/vermont-legislature-bans-smart-meter-opt-out-fees/>

Arizona rescinds opt out fees

<https://takebackyourpower.net/smart-meter-opt-out-fees-rescinded-in-arizona/>

California Judge cancels opt out fees

<https://stopsmartmeters.org/2015/04/16/judge-rules-electric-utility-smart-meter-opt-out-fees-violate-state-law-psrec-refuses-to-reconnect/>

California opt out fees end after 36 months

https://www.pge.com/en_US/residential/save-energy-money/analyze-your-usage/your-usage/view-and-share-your-data-with-smartmeter/smartmeter-updates/smart-meter-opt-out-program.page

5. Alliant states that the cost of opting out should not be borne by non-opt out customers, but the monthly cost to other customers would be trivial (one cent per month if 400 customers opt out at \$15/month opt out fee, based on 481,000 Alliant Iowa customers.

6. Alliant has a major, on-going massive customer service problem, in the form of 800# customer service reps having little or no knowledge of Alliant executive policy and actions in Fairfield. Many Fairfield customers (including me) have found that Alliant toll-free reps a) do not know that their company has told us we can't keep our analog meters, b) did not know about their own company's open house in Fairfield, c) were not familiar with their own company's brochure, d) had no knowledge of the four meter options given us by Alliant e) often rely on us, their customers, to tell them what their own company's policy and corporate actions are. This has caused widespread confusion and frustration throughout our community.

7. Major inaccurate and misleading statements in Alliant's opt out brochure. Example: 'Smart meters are safe,' when there is insufficient scientific evidence (if any) that this is so, and thousands of studies showing harm coming from RF devices to which Alliant likens its smart meters. Alliant reps have also told that the information in their brochure, such as their four meter options, may not be accurate, or is "pending" (IUB approval, which the IUB denies). Alliant states on their website, and in their brochure, that their smart meter signal six times/day, but measurements of installed Alliant smart meters in Wisconsin showed signaling six times per minute. This is potential misrepresentation.

8. Alliant reps and supervisors continue to tell us firmly that their smart meter program, including their four meter options, must be approved by the IUB, which the IUB denies.

9. Alliant's policies for meter reading and reporting are far too severe. Cf. the last page in their brochure. Anyone who opts out must read and report their meter reading within a two day window every month, and if they miss two months in any 12-month period, their opt out is cancelled and a smart meter is installed and may not be removed thereafter. This effectively requires every opt out customer to schedule all their out of town travel around reading their Alliant meter from now on. And what if you arrange for a neighbor to do it, and they forget? To have to go through all this to avoid being harmed by a new untested technology is most unfair.

SECTION TWO: RF / SMART METER COMPLAINTS Alliant offers a non-RF meter which the IUB would presumably feel satisfies the following complaints. However, I request a countywide or statewide moratorium on RF-radiating smart meters, for the following reasons:

1. Proven physical harm to the human physiology (National Cancer Institute, International Agency for Research on Cancer of the World Health Organization, American Academy Environmental Medicine) * See accompanying 'EMF Scientific Research Links'

2. Utility companies can start at announced parameters, then change the computer programs used to control their meters (remotely, invisibly, without notice)

3. Obvious example of excessive corporate influence - a major step downward in personal and community rights and freedom (who is putting what in our house?)

4. Potential for massive 24/7 surveillance (do you really think this data will not be available to NSA?). Alliant claims it will not sell any data, but Alliant's credibility is challenged by false statements in their brochure and great variation in customer service rep statements. And by the fact Alliant wants to install devices in 481,000 homes and offices that large amounts of published research suggests could be significantly lethal.

5. Data transmission via building's electrical wiring, expected by experts to cause harmful 'dirty electricity' (Cf. links in above section of Best Complaints)

<https://duckduckgo.com/?q=dirty+electricity&t=hf&ia=web>

<http://sammilham.com/>

<http://www.rfreduce.com/robertsblog/dirty-electricity>

<https://www.defiltersllc.com/>

<https://duckduckgo.com/?q=dirty+electricity&t=hg&ia=web>

<http://www.stetzerelectric.com/>

6. Many fires and explosions (no insurance company will insure digital meters per se)

<https://duckduckgo.com/?q=smart+meter+fires+and+explosions&t=hp&ia=web>

7. \$2.2 trillion market for smart grid data accelerates **excessive materialistic consumerism** in our society (this revenue is a major reason for the digital/smart meter system). Again, Alliant states it will sell no data, but it may change its policy.

8. Major, much-discussed **dangerous global hacking potential** exponential increase
CIA Director James Woolsey "smart grid is stupid"

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MAid1bS8t9U>

And

https://www.eetimes.com/document.asp?doc_id=1332547

9. Instances of **disorganization and even possibly deception by utility companies**, creating general distrust (Cf. Alameda County, California measurements showed vastly more signals per day than claimed by the utility). Initial measurements of Alliant's installed smart meters in Wisconsin by an electrical engineer showed six transmissions per minute rather than six transmissions per day.

10. **Smart meters cost much more than analogs used to cost, increasing customer rates.**

11. **Smart meters have often increased utility rates** of the homeowner

<https://duckduckgo.com/?q=smart+meters+increase+utility+rates&t=hp&ia=web>

12. **Greatly reduced meter lifespan (on-going corporate profit** bonanza in more frequent sales) Digitals are failing in as few as five years, and analogs often last decades. Since digitals cost much more than analogs to replace, manufacturers will make much more, and consumers will pay much more (added into bill).

13. **Likely physical harm to neighbors** (like second hand smoke not only harms the smoker, but those in vicinity)

14. Is **causing neighborhood and societal friction** (neighbor's meter hurting your family)

15. A **major component toward a global RF plan**, including the 5 G system (no wires or switches on earth, creating an RF stew, with us as ingredients). Electrosmog nightmare.

16. Hundreds of thousands of utility customers around the U.S. are being allowed to keep their analog meters by several or many other utility companies, so Alliant should also allow me to keep my analog.

<http://www.pewtrusts.org/en/research-and-analysis/blogs/stateline/2016/02/05/amid-health-privacy-fears-states-are-letting-people-reject-smart-meters>

California Allows Analogs <https://www.indybay.org/newsitems/2012/03/07/18708924.php>

<https://www.mercurynews.com/2011/12/19/pge-offers-to-let-customers-keep-analog-mechanical-meters/>

<http://www.pewtrusts.org/en/research-and-analysis/blogs/stateline/2016/02/05/amid-health-privacy-fears-states-are-letting-people-reject-smart-meters>

Nevada Allows Analogs

<https://lasvegassun.com/news/2012/dec/17/agreement-reached-consumers-quibble-smart-meters/>

17. Alliant does not allow solar panel owners to opt out. Obviously unfair.