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Dear Sirs:

The proposed Title 24 "programmable communicating thermostat" requirement is a violation of personal privacy, and I am seriously opposed to the mere idea. In California, we need leadership that asks, or pleads, with citizens to conserve energy in very specific ways. No leader speaks up to motivate the population to voluntarily participate in improving our energy problems. I would like to see Gov. Schwarzenegger and, or, our state representatives making regular appeals to Californians in speeches on television and radio. Faceless informational messages on television by the utility companies are not motivating enough.

People still think it is up to everyone else to stop the energy problems. I lived in Sonoma County a few years ago, and it was frowned on, to say the least, to be seen drying your clothes outdoors. There were newspaper articles about the fact that people there felt it gave a "low class" appearance to the neighborhoods. Before we begin enforcing "big brother" types of controls, as the PCT, the public needs to be asked to make small individual sacrifices toward solving our problems.

Please encourage this method toward saving energy before instituting such a drastic method of control such as the PCT in Title 24.

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