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I see that there is an absolutely insane proposal to control the thermostats and other devices within the average Californian home

I cannot begin to express how insane this is and what an absolute affront it is to the privacy, rights and freedoms of the individual citizen. The problem is the lack of capacity - not the end user! If the utilities cannot provide the full (native) power generations capacity, then please don't penalize the consumer with an *Orwellian* assault on their privacy and basic freedoms.

It is the responsibility of the utilities to create new power generation sources, and it is the obligation of government to not obstruct that process. but to facilitate it. Using more energy in response to population growth and an increase in standard of living is not evil in and of itself. Conservation can only go so far, at some point the demand needs to be met with interim and long term capacity growth.

Regards

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