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It is nice to see the California Energy Commission is thinking out of the box and trying to come up with ways to resolve peak energy crises from happening however I do not support this effort to control the people. With the continued growth of California the utility suppliers have done nothing of significance to keep pace with growing need for power e.g. new energy facilities to support growth. Instead they keep the same facilities in operation designating their dirtier facilities as back-ups and raising the rates on a steady basis to cover there ineptness as a service provider to individuals and businesses who have no competition to turn to.

The people of California take there power seriously and carefully watch our usage perhaps not for the reason the state would like but because of the high cost associated to it, frankly our personal budgets can not handle it on a monthly basis. So while this device does have some benefits (turning power on and off via the internet) it should not be used to regulate the people. That I oppose to strongly, it is not your business to take our private freedoms away from us.

I would rather see the efforts of the California Energy Commission focus on:

1. Building energy plants capable of meeting the needs of the population into the future

2. More competition between energy providers within a service area. In my area we have SMUD (Sacramento Municipal Utility District) and if you are out of there service area there is PG&E.

3. Since the state is fully supporting alternative energy (solar, wind & water) why aren't they building more solar plants?

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