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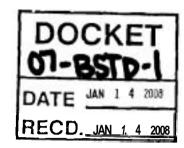
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Proposed Thermostat Regulations

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Dear Ms. Pfannestiel:

I am writing to express my opposition to the proposed thermostat regulations being considered by the state's Energy Commission. The proposal is vague in terms of the "emergency" conditions at which point the agency will control thermostats. More importantly, it is not the state's purpose to manage or "control" business or residential thermostats.

Energy is paid for by the consumer and thus, should not be controlled by any other outside source. The state's purpose and goal should be to provide consumers with more energy by creating more power plants, such as what is being done in other third world countries. A resource state such as California, should be able to meet the energy demands of its consumers and not resort to controlling thermostats that consumers pay for. To suggest that a state agency regulate individual thermostats, does not take into account the needs of infants, elderly people, etc., and the impact such invasive actions can have on them.

I urge you to do all that you can to see that such intrusive measures do not become **a** reality for California citizens. I, personally, do not pay my taxes, or elect my local and government officials to think for me, tell me how to live my life, nor determine what temperature my home should be. If I do not have access to air conditioning or heat, it should be only because I have failed to pay my bill. Not because a state agency is deciding what's best for me and my fellow citizens. I pay my electricity bill, and therefore, no outside person or persons have the right to dictate the temperature in my home. I appreciate your time and consideration in carefully considering my strong opposition to the proposed thermostat regulations.

Respectfully,

Caroline Ahmed