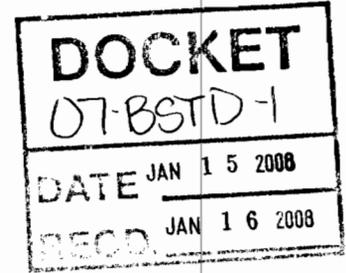


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>>> Michael Cochran <mcochran@flad.com> 1/14/2008 7:04 PM >>>
California Energy Commission,

I read the article "State plan to control your home thermostat" in the January 12th San Francisco Chronicle to my complete dismay. Did I doze off and wake up in a communist run country. This smacks of big brother in an age where the common citizen is loosing more and more privacy and rights every day. Why don't we all just give you a key to our house so you can control everything else in our lives too. Not to mention anything the government has a hand in is not going to work smoothly or efficiently. I have an idea. Why don't you use the same money to lower the cost of solar energy so we can all get off the grid. You won't have to worry about us using all your power up at inconvenient times that way.

Regards,
Michael Cochran