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Jackalyne Pfannenstiel

Dear Jackalyne Pfannenstiel:

I have read that you are offering to install thermostats in my house. I appreciate your offer as I have three of them and they are those new electronic types that I can barely program -- my granddaughter Sarah actually helped me the last time. What a boon to us old-timers.

Did you know that the average Californian uses about half the electricity as the average American, and less than the wastrels in Luxembourg, Guam, the Cayman Islands and Aruba. You know, if all Californians died from pneumonia or heat stroke we could cut the state's energy use even more dramatically. Turn down those heaters and turn up those A/Cs now!

However, I wonder if your efforts to save the planet might be more effective on other known problems. I know of technology that can measure the amount of toilet paper (down to the actual sheet) being "applied" at the appropriate time. I think the state would be better off counting out poop slips because everyone knows everyone uses too much (you could ask Sheryl Crow) and it clogs our sewers frequently. My wife, for example, often clamps her lipstick covered lips on a sheet and tosses it in the john. I know, I've tried, but what can one poor husband do?

I know you feel the same way as I do that a clogged sewer is much more serious a societal problem than a house that's 77 degrees in the summer.

Can I count on you to bypass the cheap thrills of programming thermostats and instead install TP meters. Californians of all persuasions will appreciate you more than you'll ever know.

Sincerely,

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