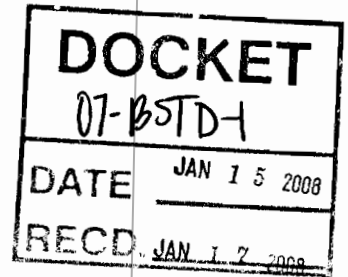


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Jackalyne Pfannenstiel

Dear Jackalyne Pfannenstiel:

I can't believe the California Energy Commission is seriously considering requiring California homeowners to install thermostats that can be controlled remotely by government bureaucrats. Why do we need this anyway? Is it because California refuses to build new power plants?

If you are really concerned about reducing electrical use during a grid demand crisis, consider proposing a crisis per kilowatt surcharge. Like tiered water rates, an emergency electricity surcharge would convince consumers to conserve. That is the way America works. Change behavior by convincing, not by mandating.

I wonder whether you're trying to squeeze blood out of a turnip with this proposal. Californians already rank dead last among the 50 states in our per capita consumption of electricity. The average Californian uses about half the electricity as the average American, and less than consumers in Luxembourg, Guam, the Cayman Islands and Aruba.

Please stop this blatant government intrusion into our own homes. Stop the expansion of the government nanny state. Oppose the government controlled thermostats in our own homes.

Sincerely,

Tammy Quackenbush