

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts MASSACHUSETTS SENATE

> Chair Joint Committee on Community Development and Small Business

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Mark D. Marini, Secretary Department of Public Utilities One South Station, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Boston, MA 02108

Dear Secretary Marini,

I write to you regarding the Department of Public Utilities' Motion for Modernization of the Electrical Grid – Phase Two.

Constituents of mine have reached out with concerns around Question 8 and whether the Department should require all new service meters to be capable of providing AMF when installed to replace existing meters. I believe it is important that the DPU continues to allow customers the right to choose which type of utility meter they would like installed and operated in their home or business. In addition to retaining this right, this decision should be of no cost to the customer.

The importance of this cannot be understated, as many residents in my district and across the Commonwealth suffer from health conditions that force them to minimize their exposure to wireless electronics and devices.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this letter. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Best Regards,

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Diana DiZoglio State Senator I<sup>st</sup> Essex District