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PG&E faces SmartMeter rebellion



PG&E is working to replace residential meter readers with high tech contraptions that could lead to 21st century spying.

It's [more than a year away for Eureka](#) but the [new meters are causing an uproar in the bay area](#) over invasion of privacy. The meters will be accessed remotely, giving PG&E increased information about electricity and appliance usage in any given house. The new meters will eliminate the need for meter readers.

Yay for less jobs! ...oh, what?

Mark Dieteman (pictured) put a lock on his meter and is drawing a line in the sand. "If they show up they are going to have to go through me to get at it," he said. "It will take a court order and a whole bunch of police officers. PG&E needs to be stopped in their tracks here."

And now there's a [new worry with the SmartMeters](#) — hackers. Security consultants at [InGuardians](#) have found vulnerabilities that could allow internet pirates to manipulate your data, or remotely cut power.

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