

Declaration of the 9 dec. 2009: CANADIANS CITIZENS and THE SEMO PETITION

We appreciate the responsible action of Quebec in taking these concerns of their constituents seriously.

Across the country Canadians are being exposed to constant microwave radiation while a great many international experts say this is dangerous. These affairs are regulated by the federal government. There is a near complete lack of information from federal authorities about the dangers. Thus the vast majority of Canadians are unaware of, and cannot be said to consent to, this dangerous situation. We rely on federal regulators who have failed. It is time for political correction, it is time for Parliament to act on this serious matter.

The telecom industry claims safety for their microwave emissions. For this they depend largely on research backed by their own industry. When a very large body of independent research proves the opposite, there is a very big problem. This is the worst example possible of "no scientific consensus" -- industry on one side, independent scientists on the other, while people and animals get injured and worse. This situation is fully exploited by the telecom industry, as federal regulators act in their apparent favour, even while citizens cry out about danger and ongoing suffering. These citizens' complaints are backed by a coalition of international experts, such as came together to publish the Bioinitiative Report referred to in the SEMO petition submitted to Parliament.

This 2007 Report, and very much further research since, has provided the basis for grave concern internationally. Based on this Report, the EU Senate has spoken of its "great concern". In October, the French national health and environment agency spoke in favour of reductions in public microwave exposure. Even little Liechtenstein is far ahead of Canada: their Parliament demanded adherence to standards put forth in today's petition. Action in other countries worldwide in recognition of the dangers, puts to shame assurances of safety by Health Canada and Industry Canada.

Why should Canada be last to protect its citizens? Canada too often waits for Americans to go first instead of acting on its own. But even in the U.S., Senate hearings on the dangers of cell telephony took place a few months ago. A famous American activist on health issues was involved. There have been multiple international conferences, one just last month in Norway, attesting to the dangers. Yet, around the same time, Health Canada issued its belated update on microwave standards, and it outrageously failed to take to heart the thousands of scientific papers that contradict its position, not to mention the cries of Canadians suffering from electrosensitivity and other ailments related to radiation exposure.

The following paragraph incorporates wording from parts of the Bioinitiative Report's summary:

Human beings are bioelectrical systems. Our hearts and brains work using bioelectrical signals. Exposure to artificially-generated microwaves can interact with fundamental biological processes in the human body. Decades of international scientific research confirm that microwave radiation is biologically active in animals and in humans. This has major public health consequences. Existing public safety standards limiting these radiation levels are thousands of times too lenient.

Any reasonable policymaker should hear alarm bells when learning of things like DNA damage, learning and behavioural effects, major effect on neurological functioning, immune function disturbance, electrohypersensitivity, blood brain barrier changes, changes in anti-oxidant enzyme activities, decline of animal populations, flawed industry-backed studies, including public accusations of fraud.

Why do Canadians deserve less protection? Other countries have moved to act in a precautionary vein. Are our bodies different? What maybe is different here is too close an alignment between the telecom industry and its regulators. It is high time for there to be political intervention to reset our regulators' priorities in a precautionary vein. In the face of disputatious science, where lives are at stake, it is dangerously irrational to allow microwave radiation to bathe an unwitting public at anywhere near current levels.

We acknowledge the vital importance of telecommunications to Canada. It is for that reason that

jurisdiction was maintained as federal. Municipalities across Canada have sought to apply precautionary measures regarding antenna installations, but have not been allowed because of jurisdictional immunity. Local authorities have the constitutional obligation to see to the health of their citizens, but they are prevented by jurisdictional entanglements, and while this goes on for years, Canadians suffer severe health effects.

Judges in Europe have already recently forbidden cell phone tower installations on the basis of the precautionary principle. Some people have already been so hurt by dangerously permissive Canadian standards, that Section 7 of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms guaranteeing "life, liberty and security of the person" has been violated.

We demand Parliament urgently examine, as other legislators have worldwide, and revise drastically downward the allowable levels of public exposure to microwave radiation. We likewise demand that there be clear legal enablement for municipal or provincial authorities to respond in a precautionary manner to citizens' health concerns over installation of microwave antennae in their midst. There is no way that telecom industry worries about adequate coverage or increased costs should trump genuine concerns for public health. There is no way that anyone can reasonably claim that long-term exposure to microwave radiation from cell masts has been adequately studied. We are all an ongoing part of the largest epidemiological experiment ever -- this highly unethical situation demands immediate Parliamentary redress.

It is fair to state that the following signatories are representative of very many concerned and informed Canadians, speaking for the far greater number of citizens kept in the dark about this ongoing dangerous experiment on themselves.

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Sharon and Dennis Noble, Victoria, BC <dsnoble@shaw.ca> against a concentration of antennas
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(collectif SEMO, Sauvons nos Enfants des Micro-ondes-Save our Childrens from Micro-waves)

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www.mastsanity.org, www.rewire.me, , www.weepinitiative.org www.dangersemo.com,
www.environmentalhealthtrust.org, www.emfbioeffects.org, www.magdahavas.org

Moms for Safe Wireless

New Website Launched

Moms for Safe Wireless has launched its new website at www.momsforsafewireless.org. The website has research about reported long-term health effects from exposure to radiofrequency radiation from wireless products and cell phone towers. It describes why children are more at risk and includes recommendations on how to use cell phones more safely. Check out the video vault that has interviews with scientists and doctors.

CELL PHONE HAZARDS - THE EVIDENCE IS IN

by
William Thomas

The evidence is in - and it is overwhelming. Even at typical low power, cell phones and wireless technology cause severe biological disturbances in human cells. In August 2007, 26 medical and public health experts their [Bioinitiative Report](#) - available online - reviewing all the literature on the effects of electromagnetic radiation

Read the full article -

http://willthomasonline.net/willthomasonline/The_Evidence_Is_In.html

British Medical Journal, from nine years ago: Nov 2000.

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Letters

Health hazards of mobile phones

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Prevalence of headache is increased among users in Singapore

EDITOR Hand held cellular telephones, using pulse modulated signals of frequency 870-995 MHz, are being used increasingly. Most reports of health symptoms related to use of these phones are anecdotal. We undertook a cross sectional study of a community in Singapore to study the prevalence of specific central nervous system symptoms among users of hand held cellular phones compared with non-users and to determine any association of risk factors and central nervous system symptoms among users of the phones.¹

From a sampling frame of all flats in a large town we conducted a one stage random cluster sampling of 808 individuals, who were interviewed by trained medical students using a structured questionnaire. Central nervous system symptoms of those who did and did not use hand held cellular telephones were compared and any possible association studied. A two tiered approach was used to try to mask the true purpose of the questionnaire in which headaches and health symptoms were dealt with in the

earlier sections before respondents were asked about their use of cellular phones. These steps should help to reduce recall bias among the respondents.

The prevalence of users of hand held cellular phones in Singapore was 44.8%.¹ Headache (according to the International Headache Society's criteria²) was the most prevalent symptom among users compared with non-users, with an adjusted prevalence rate ratio of 1.31 (95% confidence interval 1.00 to 1.70). There was a significant increase in the prevalence of headache with increasing duration of use (min/day) (P=0.038). The prevalence of headache was considerably reduced among those who used hands-free equipment compared with those who never used such equipment (42% v 65%).

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Usage of hand phone and hand-free equipment and prevalence of headache

Use of hand held cellular phones is not associated with a significant increase in central nervous system symptoms other than headache. We would suggest that more community studies should be conducted before one can make a statement such as "the only established risk is of using one while driving."³

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<http://entirelycellphones.com/cellular-phone-service/neil-cherry-radio-show-part-1-cell-phone-tower-controversies>

Call for mast referendum

<http://www.morpethherald.co.uk/news/Call-for-mast-referendum.5903026.jp>

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A RADIATION expert has called for a referendum to decide a bid for a mobile phone mast in Ponteland.

Scientific Advisor for the Radiation Research Trust, Barrie Trower, visited the area to talk about his and other research into the subject at a public meeting in Ponteland Memorial Hall.

In front of about 200 people, he outlined his concerns about

the effects of radiation from telecommunications masts, including claims that they have produced cancer clusters when placed near schools.

But he says he is happy for those who support the masts to present information to residents and then they should have the power to decide.

Two bids by Telefonica O2 have been made to place masts on different site in The Broadway, Darras Hall, to improve its 3G mobile coverage.

Both were rejected by Northumberland County Council's West Planning Committee, with objections submitted by many local residents and Darras Hall First School.

"All I'm asking is that the residents, parents of schoolchildren and staff are given an equal amount of both sides of the scientific argument," Mr Trower told the 'Herald'.

"I could write on one side of A4, the company can write on another side and then there should be a referendum where people living and working within 1,000m of the site would decide whether they want it or not."

Telefonica O2 does have permission for one of the sites because the first refusal was invalid, as it did not happen within the required 56 days of the application being received. Other options available to it include seeking a third potential site and appealing against the refusal for the other site.

James Stevenson, Communications Manager for O2, said there was plenty of scientific evidence to show that mobile phone masts do not pose health risks.

He added: "A referendum with one side of A4 for each side is not a bad idea but it would be difficult to put into practice because of logistics and getting all the necessary information onto one side of A4."

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