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I am submitting my comments in opposition to the programmable communicating thermostat requirement proposed for upcoming Title 24 revisions. Enabling some faceless bureaucrat in a remote office to determine the thermostat settings in my home is a real violation of my privacy and my rights to control my environment. It's yet another Big Brother "solution" to a problem that is actually caused not by the consumption of electricity, but by this state's lack of production capacity. As we all know, California's population has soared in the past 35 years, yet not one new power plant has been added in that time.

Further, if the intention is to reduce the potential for power shortages, perhaps attention should be directed to the people who control which plants are operating and which generators are off-line at any given time. I check Cal ISO's web site whenever we are cautioned against using too much electricity, and without exception, there is adequate capacity already in existence, if only it were not off-line. I believe Enron was toppled by public knowledge of this type of scheme, yet there is no public outcry against our present system allowing needed generation capacity to lay idle when it is critically needed.

Best regards,  
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