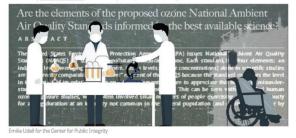
## The Center for Public Integrity: Science for Sale

Peter Valberg was featured in the 2016 award-winning series Science for Sale by the Center for Public Integrity. He discounted the largest ever-reported cluster of occupational brain tumor deaths at a Texas chemical plant, and publishes tainted research for the chemical industry.

#### Meet the 'rented white coats' who defend toxic chemicals

How corporate-funded research is corrupting America's courts and regulatory agencies



"Gradient belongs to a breed of scientific consulting firms that defends the products of its corporate clients beyond credulity, even exhaustively studying substances whose dangers are not in doubt, such as asbestos, lead and arsenic..... Ninety-eight percent of the time, they found that the substance in question was harmless at levels to which people are typically exposed."

https://www.publicintegrity.org/2016/02/08/19223/ meet-rented-white-coats-who-defend-toxic-chemicals

"After a record number of brain tumors at a chemical plant, industry launched a flawed study that obscured the extent of

the problem. During the litigation, the company hired expert witnesses ...to prove that the brain tumors couldn't have been caused by vinyl chloride... Peter Valberg of Gradient Corp.... https://www.publicintegrity.org/2016/02/10/19265/

making-cancer-cluster-disappear

"Two scientific journals known for their industry ties have become go-to publications for researchers who minimize risks from chemicals...critics also claim the journals are purvevors of "junk science" — misleading, industrybacked articles that threaten public health by playing down the dangers of well-known toxic substances such as lead and asbestos. The articles often are used to stall regulatory efforts and defend court cases... half of all review articles written by top scientists at the consulting firm Gradient since 1992 were published either in Critical Reviews or Regulatory Toxicology. No other journal came close. "You'd have to be delusional to not recognize that the issues they're dealing [with] and policies they're setting won't affect the profits of very powerful sources," said Canadian anti-asbestos activist Kathleen Ruff, who called both journals "egregious examples" of a deeper problem of industry influence. https://www.publicintegrity.org/2016/02/18/19307/ brokers-junk-science

http://www.theecologist.org/campaignin g/2988831/smart\_meters\_and\_cell\_dama ge from pulsed em radiation our health at risk.html

### Tobacco Science For MA DPU Wireless 'Smart' Meters?

FACT: In Feb. 2014, the MA DPU relied on testimony of career tobacco scientist Peter Valberg of Gradient to override citizens' and health experts' concerns about wireless utility meters. http://170.63.40.34/DPU/FileRoomAPI/api/Attachme nts/Get/?path=12-76%2f12-76-Filing-9300.pdf

FACT: Valberg is a tobacco scientist. He testified for Phillips Lights cigarettes the same week he testified for the MA DPU. https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/USCOURTS-ohnd-5 10-cv-01741/pdf/USCOURTS-ohnd-5 10-cv-01741-3.pdf

FACT: Peter Valberg submitted no written testimony for the MA DPU docket Yet in MA DPU 12-76-B, comments are attributed to Gradient that are not part of the hearing transcript or video. http://170.63.40.34/DPU/FileRoomAPI/api/Attachme nts/Get/?path=12-76%2fOrder\_1276B.pdf

QUESTION: Did tobacco scientist Valberg collaborate with and/or ghost write the health and safety sections of 12-76-B on behalf of the MA DPU?

QUESTION: Are MA ratepayers and/or taxpayers financing tobacco science for the MA DPU?

http://www.theecologist.org/campaignin g/2988970/smart\_meter\_radiation and health\_why\_are\_we\_neglecting\_nontoxic\_ alternatives.html

# MA DPU Inadequate Scrutiny of Health Issues for Grid Modernization

Tobacco science pretends that safety has been protected when no health studies have been conducted: "A number of published reports on *potential health effects* of AMI *suggest* that RF from this technology is *unlikely to harm health.*" http://www.mass.gov/eea/docs/dpu/electric/12-76-a-order.pdf

# MA DPU Misrepresentation of FCC Exposure Guidelines

"Evidence from peer-reviewed studies, determinations by standards bodies, and conclusions from other jurisdictions do not support a finding that the FCC guidelines are inadequate to protect against either thermal or non-thermal effects of RF emissions."

http://web1.env.state.ma.us/DPU/FileRoomAPI/api/A ttachments/Get/?path=12-76%2fOrder\_1276B.pdf (The FCC only recognizes thermal impacts of radio frequency exposure. MA may bear the distinction of publishing the most inaccurate if not fraudulent wireless meter misrepresentation in the country.)

SOLUTION: Independent health and environmental pre-market testing for <u>all</u> utility infrastructure
SOLUTION: Application of the *Precautionary Principle*SOLUTION: Assign binding liability for health and environmental damages
SOLUTION: Independent monitoring and investigation of health complaints

# Valberg and Gradient Corporation Provide "Expert" Health and Environmental Testimony for Many MA DPU Decisions

Valberg provides testimony for power plants, (denying air pollution), transmission lines, (denying childhood leukemia), and transportation corridors in MA and other states, many in environmental justice communities. https://www.winchester.us/DocumentCenter/View/1615

https://www.velco.com/library/document/download/1883/PET%2016\_2.pdf

#### **DORCHESTER-QUINCY CABLE 1998:**

https://www.velco.com/library/document/download/1883/PET%2016\_2.pdf

#### **NEWTON 2007:**

http://microwavenews.com/news-center/koreans-again-link-am-radio-childhood-leukemia-rfi-tops-health-us-tower-siting-battle

# BROCKTON 2008/2015:

http://www.enterprisenews.com/x2109423998/Experts-debate-possible-health-impact-of-proposed-Brockton-power-plant

Valberg's "areas of expertise" include "pollutants, chemical exposures, biologicals, radionuclides, and EMF (including power lines, radio waves, and cellular telephones), evaluating health impacts of airborne particulate matter, diesel exhaust, metals, asbestos, sulfuric acid, and TC; Hexavalent Chromium, Airborne Sulfur Dioxide and Sulfuric Acid, Carbon Black, and Toxicity of Arsenic in Soils," harming many lives while protecting harmful unethical industries. https://gradientcorp.com/bio.html?id=35&staff=Valberg Product defense 'experts' feign expertise in multiple specialites.

## Support MA Bill H.3400 and S.1847 MA DPU Reform

# Reform the MA Dept. of Public Utilities To Oppose MA DPU Tobacco Science

"Climate change threatens the realization of human rights as can the actions taken to address climate change." Combating Climate Change While Protecting Rights

http://www.deliveringonparis.com/human-rights/

"Tainted science affects us all. It is used to fend off, or lessen the sting of, lawsuits filed on behalf of sick people. It freezes the regulatory process." https://www.publicintegrity.org/environment/science-sale

Valberg belongs before an international criminal court for crimes against humanity, and not enjoying a lucrative career testifying about "safety" and health for the MA utility regulator.

Tobacco scientists are mercenary liars. Corrupt corporations hire tobacco scientists to lie about safety. Why would a state regulatory agency continue to rely on the testimony of a mercenary liar-for-hire to justify investment in "clean energy" infrastructure?

"The scientific evidence can no longer be denied. Wireless radiation is a ubiquitous environmental pollution and the people have not been fully informed." – Jennifer Wood

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