

The Committee of Inquiry into the deployment adoption and application of 5G in Australia

I thank the Australian Parliament for setting up this inquiry. I urge that the precautionary principal be adopted, and the roll-out of 5G be stopped, until there is substantial evidence that such technology has no negative health impacts on living organisms. The health of humanity is dependant on the health of the planet and the diverse life-forms thereon.

Many technologist say an Ethernet cable connection is the safest, and fastest. If gaining a competitive edge in enterprise and government is a driving factor in the deployment of 5G in Australia, then let that happen via cable.

If the application of 5G wifi is intended to create additional avenues to deploy the Internet of Things, please consider the unintended consequences to health, civil liberties, and personal and public security.

About four months ago, 5G was not on my metaphorical radar. My knowledge of 5G was limited to.... "it will make the NBN obsolete, and Huawei pose a national security threat". It was a fortuitous comment by a neighbour that triggered my awareness, and subsequent extensive research into 5G wifi.

When I learnt there was a "Stop 5G" action group in Karratha (one of a multitude in Australia) I met with the four founding members - a young grandmother, and three mothers of young children. Their anxiety about the potential negative health impacts was the catalyst for me to try and understand "both sides of the story".

I had previously heard a presentation, by Paul L, about the proposed start of a "connected vehicles" development centre in Karratha, and was excited by the concept of a centre of excellence being established locally, although I had little understanding of what this meant, nor the technology that would be employed. Now, I was conflicted. Both "stories" seemed to have merit.

The younger women spoke of a building biologist, Deanne H, who had planned to visit within a few weeks, and I undertook to utilise my existing personal networks, to host an information evening. The key presenters at that session were Deanne H, and Paul L. The one key take-away I got from each presenter that has directed my subsequent research and advocacy, were...

1. From Deanne H- we are already witnessing adverse health effects from uninformed over-exposure to current wifi technology; and,
2. From Paul L- the initial roll-out of 5G in Australia would be nowhere as severe as in other parts of the world, because of the cost to expand the infrastructure and develop the end-use products.

I have now spent untold hours reading reports / listening to video presentations. When someone like myself, and probably some members of the Committee of Inquiry, are not trained in the complexities of science- wifi technology, epidemiology, and indeed any scientific research, we must develop a way of processing the information we glean.

One thing I do understand about science, is that it is based on "developing a theory, and testing repeatedly, to prove that theory." And sometimes, testing disproves the theory.

It would appear to me that the theory of 5G wifi technology is biased toward it being fast - super, super fast, and no consideration has been given to another well-tested theory that wifi technology per se (man-made non-ionising pulsation radiation) has negative health effects on living organisms. In a nutshell, the precautionary principle is being ignored.

The most reliable indicator each of us possess , is our "gut feel." Who do we Trust, when so many arguments present as being credible?

My gut feel is there are multiple and severe risks attached to the unprecedented escalation in man-made non-

ionising radiation to which we are already exposed, and I do not consent to being treated as a lab-rat in order to be proven right.

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