Statement for Victor Odlivak running for EWEB AT-LARGE Commissioner

Occupation: Retired; volunteer treasurer Amigos de Si A La Vida non-profit six years; Mindfulness Training John Serbu Center, Eugene, three years.

Occupational Background: 25+ years tech support computer field including work with wind, solar and hydropower energy forecasting; two years high school physics teacher.

Educational Background: Earlham College Richmond, IN, BA Physics; Farallones Institute Occidental, CA; Studied Appropriate Technology (wind, solar, hydro, biogas).

Prior Governmental Experience: Set up recycling program for City of Watertown, MA. (Unpaid)

Candidate Platform: I am running to stop the roll-out of Smart Meters, rehire the laid-off Meter Readers and help reduce fossil fuel reliance.

For more info please see my website at http://converttolinux.com/eweb.shtml

Briefly:

- Support Rental Unit Weatherization as EWEB's next major conservation strategy.
- Facilitate home and neighborhood power generation including on-site storage to achieve long term permanent rate relief.
- Eliminate the \$20 monthly connection fee on our electricity bill!
- Pay solar electric ratepayer-owners the same rate for electricity generated as they pay EWEB.
- Double EWEB reimbursement for solar photovoltaic installation. (With on-site generation, the 5 to 10% percent transmission loss is avoided.)
- Keep long-lasting (40 60 years) analog glass meters.
- Inform Customers that soon with just a mouse-click your power can be shut off.
- Keep EWEB headquarters at its waterfront property.
- Put electric wires underground to prevent power outages due to storms.
- Eliminate Smart Meters since they are not financially viable. Springfield, OR decided to keep analog meters after discovering the proposed encased Smart Meters were guaranteed for only two years.
- Protect working class families and seniors on fixed schedules from being penalized by "time of use" billing as proposed by EWEB.
- Reduce fossil fuel reliance instead of spending plus or minus \$200 million on Smart Meters.