



James Heddle and Mary Beth Brangan

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Mary Beth Brangan and James Heddle currently are Co-Directors of EON – the Ecological Options Network, a 501(c) 3 organization founded in 2003. They have more than twenty-five years coordinating campaigns, projects and organizations on energy policy (since 1983) and have worked on RF/EMF wireless technology issues since 1999.

James Heddle, M.A., taught communications and psychology for over fifteen years in universities and colleges including the University of Wisconsin, Madison; Concordia University, Montreal; and Antioch University, Seattle, where he served for a year as Director of the graduate psychology program.

Mary Beth Brangan is a self-educated researcher, journalist, filmmaker, community and international organizer. She attended college until becoming pregnant and was a household energy manager for the next 15 years, designing and building her own home with passive solar and a geo-thermal heat pump. She managed a futurist salon in Washington, DC from 1983 to 1984, interacting with some of the leading thinkers of the day. In 1986, she co-founded the Nuclear Sovereignty Project with James Heddle, worked with the Nuclear Guardianship Project in 1988, and in 1991 was the first Statewide Coordinator of the Save Ward Valley Coalition.

Partnership Projects

Together, James and Mary Beth have coordinated international coalitions on nuclear weapons and energy policy, testifying in state legislatures, the U.S. Congress and reporting and organizing at the United Nations. They co-founded the Nuclear Sovereignty Project, The Nuclear Democracy Project, Options 2000 and EON.

2003 - 2012 - The EON YouTube Channel (YouTube.com/EON3) has over 1400 subscribers and contains over 300 video reports on the science and politics of energy and wireless issues, as well as EON's documentaries. Mary Beth and James have published numerous newspaper articles, given many radio and TV interviews, and have published mixed media articles on EON's extensive blog on these issues: www.eon3EMFblog.net. A timeline of their work can be found on their website: <http://eon3.net/>

2002 - From 2002 to 2005, they produced four documentaries on the community choice aggregation movement, "PUBLIC POWER: From 'Energy Crisis' to Solar Democracy;" "Local Power;" "COMMUNITY CHOICE: The Movement for Local Energy Independence;" and "GOING LOCAL: The Movement for Community Choice Energy," which have been used by Marin County Supervisors and others to inform decision-makers and community groups about CCAs - community choice aggregation.

2000 - Since 2000, they have been involved in local, state, national and international levels, working on wireless technology issues. They researched, consulted and helped formulate policy objectives for radiation safety. Their 2001 documentary "PUBLIC EXPOSURE: DNA, Democracy and the Wireless Revolution" has been translated into Japanese and Portuguese and repeatedly broadcast nationally and internationally and continues to be used by citizen groups around the world.

1999 - They coordinated the 1999 U.S. Y2K WASH Campaign for nuclear plant safety at the millennium rollover, and with European, Australian and Japanese colleagues, advised the 1999 G-8 Summit representatives in Berlin on Y2K safety at nuclear reactors.

1997 - In 1997 they were funded in part by the European Commission for a video report on energy-related issues along the Thai/Burmese border that was broadcast and used by the Burmese government-in-exile in its international education and organizing work on behalf of democracy in Burma/Myanmar.

1991 - Mary Beth was the first state-wide coordinator of a coalition dealing with low-level nuclear waste policy in California. This led to the formation of the Bay Area Nuclear Waste Coalition (BAN Waste), an organization instrumental in stopping the construction of a nuclear waste dump in Ward Valley, California near the Colorado River, source of agricultural and drinking water for millions of people. Mary Beth and James both served as founding BAN Waste Board Members.

They participated in policy discussions about state and regional low-level radioactive waste issues, and worked to develop government policy with then-Congresswoman, now Senator Barbara Boxer and then State Controller Gray Davis, testifying in many hearings.

They consulted about and produced documentaries about low-level nuclear waste policies in both California, CHOICEPOINT: California's Water and Radioactive Waste (1993); and in Texas, PELIGRO: Nuclear Showdown on the Rio Grande (1996).

1990 - Their documentary "FREE ZONE: Democracy Meets the Nuclear Threat" was televised internationally and is used in college and university documentary film courses.

1984 - Their award-winning PBS documentary "STRATEGIC TRUST: the Making of Nuclear Free Palau" was nationally and internationally broadcast, screened in Congress, at the United Nations and in parliaments, universities and libraries around the world.

1984 - 1995 - As co-directors of the Nuclear Sovereignty Project, Mary Beth and James coordinated support for the right of Pacific peoples to nuclear free constitutions, working with the Nuclear Free and Independent Pacific movement. They consulted with the government of the Micronesian Republic of Palau and of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and with the Chair of the U.S. Congressional Oversight Committee, Sen. John Seiberling, and the U.S. Interior Department. They provided investigative research and information to Congressional Committees, testified in Congress, collaborated with members of the Rainbow Coalition of the European Parliament and consulted with the staff of the United Nations Trusteeship Council on U.S. nuclear policy in the Asia-Pacific region.

On the basis of more than 25 years of professional experience, we believe we qualify for the 'expert' category of intervenor in both energy and wireless policy in accordance with Resolution ALJ-267, as well as having 25 years of advocate experience. The CPUC gets the benefit of both expert and advocate with our participation.