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**To:** DEEP Adjudications <DEEP.Adjudications@ct.gov>; CSC-DL Siting Council <Siting.Council@ct.gov> **Subject:** intervene cell tower proposal at 3 Marchant Rd Redding CT on Simpaug Turnpike Redding CT

## Dear Siting Council,

I would like to file as an intervener for the proposed cell tower at 3 Marchant Rd in Redding CT 06896. The proposed location is at the Hoyt Boy Scout property on Simpaug Turnpike and Marchant Rd in Redding CT. It is in direct violation of the National Environmental Act of 1970. To build a 150 foot tower plus antennas on Boy Scout property where young boys are trying to disconnect from technology and be outdoors is a complete violation of the safety and trust of troops who use this site and an overreach by MCI Holdings.

Just because the Boy Scouts of America were found guilty in the landmark case of abusing boys and need to pay damages to the tune of 2.46 billion doesn't mean they can get away with further abuse to children with a dangerous cell tower that will most definitely interfere with their developing mitochondria. Not to mention the Boy Scouts will most likely climb this cell tower and could incur further damage as this site is not appropriately safeguarded. It is a public space for education and camping of school aged children.

- An <u>analysis</u> by human rights experts published in Environmental Science & Policy argues that cell tower placement near schools is a human rights issue for children because "protection of children is a high threshold norm in Human Right law" and "any widespread or systematic form of environmental pollution that poses a long-term threat to a child's rights to life, development or health may constitute an human rights violation."
- An <u>analysis</u> of studies found ~80% showed biological effects near towers. "Many biological effects have been documented at very low intensities comparable to what the population experiences within 200 to 500 ft (\*60– 150 m) of a cell tower, including effects that occurred in studies of cell cultures and animals after exposures to low-intensity RFR. Effects reported include: genetic, growth, and reproductive; increases in permeability of the blood-brain barrier; behavioral; molecular, cellular, and metabolic; and increases in cancer risk."

This proposed cell Tower site also borders the New Pond Farm Educational Center. An Educational nature center that boasts roughly 5000 annual visitors which are mostly children. The New Pond farm educational facility is well known for its bucolic atmosphere ,it's dairy farm ,trails , culinary farm to table events , wildlife events and it's classrooms for children. The whole concept of their school is to be one with nature . This cell tower goes against everything Redding and these Nature schools stand for . We also have have another school called Westbrook Nature School that has the same

philosophies and academic agenda of learning in and amongst nature . So this huge tower completely goes against these institutions.

I as a land owner also oppose this tower because of its proximity to my land and the negative impacts it will have on my health as well as my real estate resale value .

 A <u>2021 study</u> published in the International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health Found higher cell tower RFR radiation exposures linked to increased mortality for all cancers including breast,

cervix, lung, and esophagus cancers.

I am also concerned about the wildlife that will now have nowhere to go to as well as the Marchant Horse Farm. They have 3500 honey bees and produce honey. Once the bees are nuked out by this cell tower the bees won't be able to find their hive as they will be too disoriented. We already have a bee shortage which means crops won't be pollinated.

Right next to Marchant Farm and New Pond Farm is a canine compound as well. These dogs will be getting nuked all day long from the EMFs and will cause anxiety and incessant barking as well as cancers and other issues .

"California News Service) A growing body of scientific studies showed electromagnetic fields from the extremely low frequencies common to power lines and radio-frequency radiation, the kind from cell towers and mobile devices, may be harmful to wildlife as well as humans."

"The drastic build of cell towers are causing the natural imbalance in the ecosystem to become a global issue. There are significant reasons for bee colony collapse disorder (CCD) from EMF's ,pesticides, and climate change.

The location is also within proximity to John Read middle school so the siting council must decline this proposal and force MCI to find other suitable land for their toxic cell tower.

And the FCC should not even consider this tower proposal to be acceptable by any means.

By the way many residents know this cell tower is to serve other areas like Bethel and Danbury so put it in those towns not Redding .

Our whole mantra here in Redding is: "Big Outdoors ,small town." This tower does not belong here period.

Furthermore MCI holdings has not proved an adequate need at all. I have resided in this area for 12 years and have had zero issues with my cell service. So the claim for a need is completely false and should disqualify them immediately.

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