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Mr. S. Derek Phelps  
Executive Director  
Connecticut Siting Council  
Ten Franklin Square  
New Britain, CT 06050

Re: AT&T Proposed Telecommunications Tower

Dear Mr. Phelps:

In previous correspondence, I have advocated for the location of a telecommunications cell tower in the Lovely Street area for reasons related to public safety. The Roaring Brook School is located in a dead zone, which makes cell phone use nearly impossible.

It is my understanding that the Avon Town Council has requested that Connecticut Siting Council consider additional "town criteria" and applicable land use regulations in its decision regarding the location of the cell tower. At the February meeting of the Avon Town Council, I heard compelling testimony regarding the hazards related to EMFs. Since the Roaring Brook School is located in close proximity to the planned location of the tower, parents have expressed their concerns to me about the safety of their children. While I do not have the technical knowledge to completely understand the effect of radio frequency electromagnetic fields on children and adults, I believe the Council has an obligation to convince our community that the existence of this tower will have no effect on the health of those living or attending school in proximity to the tower.

As far as the need for emergency telephone communication at Roaring Brook School, we are now exploring alternatives such as satellite communication. In my opinion, the Connecticut Siting Council has the obligation to heed the recommendations delineated by the Town of Avon.

Sincerely,

Richard Kisiel