Martha's Vineyard Commission P O Box 1447 33 New York Ave. Oak Bluffs, MA 02557



Dear Sir or Madam and all others this may concern

RE: The proposed erection of a 150 to 180 foot cell tower on a parcel of land on Sampson Ave. by Gain Communications Group

The purpose of the letter is to note my objections the proposed placement of commercial cell towers. To place these in a non commercial, densely populated, yearly and seasonal residential area should be reconsidered. Commercial development of any kind on Chappaquiddick should be considered very carefully. The financially gain for one will be at the expenses and enjoyment of others. My property sits diagonally 20 feet on the same SMALL dirt road this tower is being considered. I would like to point out that Sampson Ave offers some of the smallest housing lots on Chappaquiddick, it's not like there is a lot of acreage to accommodate such a plan without major impact to the area. Research indicates an overwhelming percent of homebuyers and renters are less interested in living near antennas', cell towers or power lines and the impact would be a loss in value as much as 20% less for property near these structures.

I remember seeing the 94 foot antennae, that is currently in place the first time and thinking how the heck did that get approved to be put up. We know now that there were no zoning restrictions on antennae when it went up, but now things have changed and the town rewrote the zoning bylaws opening the door for what we are dealing with now.

As I understand it wireless carriers have been solicited to make use of this antenna, but now realized their equipment is too heavy and they need placement for upwards to 180' tower to attach their equipment ... disks / dishes and whatever else is needed, with a chain link fence around the base of this thing.

This proposal, if allowed to go through, will most defiantly place a major impact on the neighborhood, the value of our homes, the tranquility and serenity of what I know Chappy to offer. This allows one person to gain financially for renting the use of his property at the expense of all others. At this point it would only help AT&T customers unless other wireless companies come on board and with that there will be more equipment needed.

I'm asking the Commission members to consider alternative locations for the placement of cell towers; one such place is behind the community center parking lot or out by the light house.

Sincerely and Respectfully Your

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