

Martha's Vineyard Commission

1/19/2013

P.O Box 1447, Oak Bluffs, MA 02557

Attn: Mr. Paul Foley

cc. West Tisbury Zoning Board of Appeals

P.O. Box 278, West Tisbury, MA 02575

Attn: Julie Keefe

Subject: Objection to Proposed Verizon Cell Tower on Tisbury Great Pond, W.Tisbury

Dear Mr. Foley,

We are writing to object to the proposed Verizon cell tower to be located off Town Cove on Tisbury Great Pond. Although we do not live in the immediate area of the pond, we frequently enjoy kayaking, sailing, bird watching and swimming on this beautiful section of the island. Additionally, the pond has always possessed spectacular views and settings for our artistic endeavors.

We feel the proposed Verizon 80 ft. tower would negatively impact the natural beauty of the Tisbury Great Pond skyline which we all enjoy so much. We question the need for such a high tower. If lower height equipment was effective for presidential communications, why is it necessary to go so high?

We hope that the MVC will recommend a reevaluation of the proposal such that it will not disrupt the natural beauty of this vineyard coastal pond.

Sincerely yours,

Richard and Joan Spillman

37 Indian Hollow Rd.

West Tisbury, MA 02575