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Taryn L. Otto
148 North Shore Road
Rock Hill, NY 127785

April 2, 2019

Planning Board
Town of Thompson
4052 Route 42
Monticello, NY 12701

Re: Tarpon Cell Tower

Dear Town of Thompson Planning Board Members,

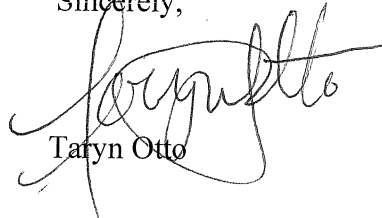
I have been advised that the Planning Board has requested the applicant for the cell tower conduct a balloon test in the area of Wanaksink Lake in order to better evaluate the visual impacts that the tower would have on our community.

I am writing this letter to urge the Planning Board to please hold another public hearing after the balloon test results are received so that we all may have an opportunity for discussion.

Enclosed please find a copy of my letter explaining the perspective that my family and I have regarding the visual impacts of the proposed tower site.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

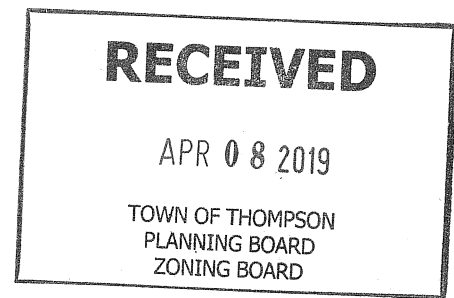
Sincerely,



Taryn Otto

Encl.

Taryn L. Otto
148 North Shore Road
Rock Hill, NY 12775



March 22, 2019

Planning Board
Town of Thompson
4052 Route 42
Monticello, NY 12701

RE: Tarpon Cell Tower Application - Wurstboro Mountain Road

Dear Planning Board Members,

The purpose of this letter is to provide the Planning Board with some perspective on the negative visual and aesthetic impacts the proposed tower will have on my family as owner of a house on Wanaksink Lake.

Our lake house is located at 148 North Shore Road, which has expansive views of the lake. This property has been in my family for over 70 years. My grandparents began coming up to this area in the 1940's, and it has been a family tradition to continue to come to the lake. I personally spent the entire summer every year at the lake while growing up. To say that the lake holds a special place in my heart is an understatement. Over the years we have updated the inside of our home, but the outside remains very similar to that of the original house my grandparents bought. Our family has always felt it to be important to keep the house similar to the original structure as so to maintain the beauty and serenity of the lake and the environment in which it provides.

I understand that times have changed, and with that the demand for technology has increased. However, if the proposed cell tower is to be built, it will ruin our beautiful lake. The absolutely stunning views, be it sunrise or sunset, will be marred by the cell tower. The skyline of Wanaksink Lake will be damaged forever.

I beg you all to please take this into consideration when you evaluate what impact the proposed cell tower will have on the visual aspects of our community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Taryn L. Otto". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end. Below the signature, the name "Taryn L. Otto" is printed in a simple, sans-serif font.



April 3, 2019

Planning Board
Town of Thompson
4052 Route, 42
Monticello, NY 12701

Dear Town of Thompson Planning Board Members,

I have been a resident of Wanaksink Lake for over fifty years and am very concerned about the visual impacts of the proposed cell tower site on our community. I understand that the Planning Board has requested the applicant conduct a balloon test in the Wanaksink Lake area to better evaluate the visual impacts of the proposed cell tower on our community. After the balloon test results are complete, I urge the Planning Board to hold another public hearing to allow discussion of them.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "David C. Ennis, Jr.", with a stylized flourish at the end.

David C. Ennis, Jr.
14 Little North Shore Road
Rock Hill, New York 12775

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Verlee M. Harris
173 North Shore Road
Rock Hill, NY 12775

April 1, 2019

Planning Board, Town of Thompson
4052 Route 42
Monticello, NY 12701

Dear Planning Board Members,

As a resident of Wanaksink Lake, I am writing to express my distress and objection to the proposed location of a cell tower on Wurtsboro Mountain Road in Rock Hill, New York. Among the many negative consequences of installing a cell tower in that location, I offer the following related to the aesthetics of our beautiful lake:

- The base of the tower would be 150 yards from the lake shore.
- Because of the elevation of the lot, the top of the tower would loom 213 feet above the lake surface.
- The tower would stretch 100 feet above the treeline.
- A group of 12 lake homes in the immediate neighborhood fall within a range of 25 to 400 yards of the tower.
- Due to required federal lighting regulations, the tower would be lighted and visible 24 hours a day.
- There would be very few homes around the lake where the tower would not figure prominently in any view.
- All activities on the water would be in the shadow of the tower, including The Children's Beach at our clubhouse.

The intrusion on the natural beauty, recreation and home values wrought by the size and proximity of this cell tower to our lake should feel obvious and overwhelming to everyone. In my mind, you wouldn't wish this on your worst enemy.

I understand and support the need for Rock Hill to have good cell service and understand the desperation of local businesses to be "up to speed." Please understand that at Wanaksink Lake, we are Rock Hill, too. Generations of our families have made Rock Hill our summer home. We eat and drink in town, buy gas and groceries, renew our prescriptions and send flowers. We get

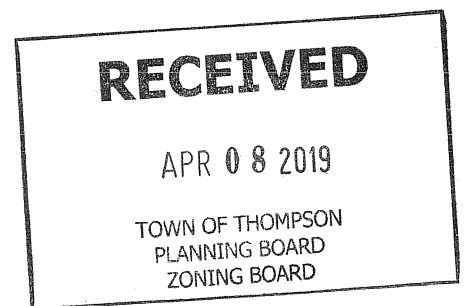
our cars fixed, shop the farmers market and stuff ourselves at the annual Firehouse Pancake Breakfast. We pay town taxes and school taxes without adding children to class rosters. We pay privately for garbage and recycling collection and the snow plowing on our biggest road. Many have retired here. My beloved relatives are buried here. The fifth generation of my family is now immersed in life in the Catskills.

Having only learned about the proposed cell tower two weeks prior to the March 13 public hearing, with many of our residents away for the season, we feel blindsided by a search process and decision that does not include us, especially as Wanaksink Lake will be most heavily and detrimentally impacted.

Out of respect for our long standing relationship and mutual interest in preserving the natural wonders that attract summer residents and tourism to our town, we ask that you press the pause button on this decision. We need time to explore alternate sites and/or alternate technologies. We feel confident that working together, we will find a solution that is a "win" for everyone.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Verlee M.Harris



Harold Hultslander
186 North Shore Road
Rock Hill, NY 12776

I understand that the Planning Board has requested the applicant conduct a balloon test in the Lake area to better evaluate the visual impacts of the proposed cell tower on our community. I don't believe a balloon test is equivalent to a tower with blinking lights and I urge the Planning Board to hold another public hearing after the balloon test results are received to allow discussion of them. Please also see our attached letter(s) explaining our perspective on the visual impacts of the proposed tower site.

Harold Hultslander
Concerned Rock Hill Resident

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HAROLD HULTSLANDER
186 NORTH SHORE RD
ROCK HILL, NY 12775

March 23, 2019

Planning Board, Town of Thompson
4052 Route 42
Monticello, NY 12701

RE: Tarpon Cell Tower Application off of Wurtsboro Mountain Road

Dear Planning Board Members,

As someone who treasures my views at Wanaksink Lake, I'd like to let you know that I'm not only concerned about the visual impact that the proposed cell tower site will have not only on me, my family and friends who visit and enjoy the lovely sunsets, but also the wildlife that live in the area.

My home at 186 North Shore Road in Rock Hill has been owned by my family since 1968. My namesake grandfather owned property on the same lake from 1920's to the 1940's and was a charter member of the lake club. I've been the property owner at 186 North Shore Road for the past 15 years and truly enjoy watching the sunset when facing West where the proposed Tarpon Cell Tower will be placed.

One of my fondest activities from since I was a child has been rowing out on the lake for a day of fishing and swimming, then enjoying a lovely sunset rowing back to shore. The beautiful view facing West from my dock is a sight I truly cherish sharing with my family and friends. The thought of seeing such an extremely high cell tower, "towering" above the tree line, will spoil those special evenings-to-twilight moments that make life on the lake so amazingly beautiful. I've learned that the Tarpon Cell Tower will be lit at night, which will make viewing the Western sky at night less desirable due to light pollution from the tower. Please take into consideration the loss of quality of life to the residents of Rock Hill the proposed cell tower will have, and how the residents of Thompson would feel if they were in a similar situation.

Also, please take into consideration the environmental impact the proposed cell tower will have. Many studies show that cell towers do significant damage to wildlife and to the environment. Studies show abrupt declines in pollinators, such as bees and butterflies. As a longtime homeowner on Wanaksink Lake who appreciates the wonders of nature that surrounds the lake, please reconsider other alternatives to placing such an extremely tall cell tower on the lake in order to facilitate better cell service.

Sincerely,



Harold Hultslander
Concerned Resident of Rock Hill

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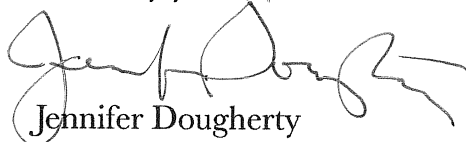
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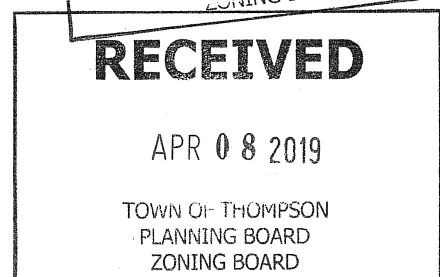
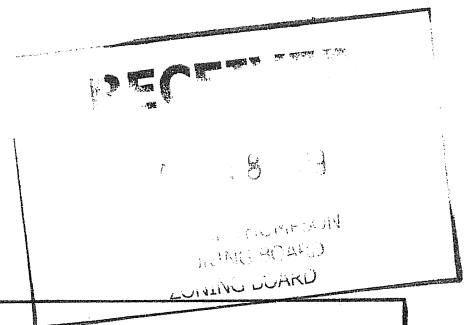
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Monticello, NY. 12701

Dear Planning Board Members,

I have heard that the Planning Board has requested the Tarpon company to conduct a balloon test in the Wanaksink Lake area to evaluate the visual impact of the proposed new cell tower on the residents of our community: I urge the Planning Board to hold public hearing after the balloon test results are received to allow discussion of them. Please see my attached letter explaining my perspective on the visual impact of the proposed tower site.

Sincerely yours,


Jennifer Dougherty



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March 25 2019

Planning Board, Town of Thompson
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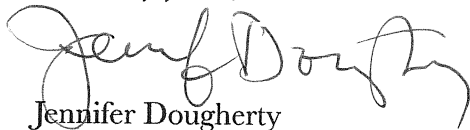
Dear Planning Board Members,

I am writing this letter to highlight the negative impact the proposed Tarpon Cell Tower will have for my family as residents of Wanaksink Lake.

We moved to 35 Middletown Point Road, down the road from my parents, approximately 14 years ago. Our house was originally a cabin, which we upgraded to a year round house. We now have a beautiful home with amazing vistas of the lake from every room, including a porch that runs the full length of our house. In the evening, from our lakeside table, we hang out with friends and watch the sun set.

We are heartbroken to think that the beautiful, unsullied lake, which the entire association works so hard to protect and which originally drew first my parents and then my family to the lake, could be damaged. We want to pass on the natural beauty and character of the lake to our children to become a third generation family at the lake, and hope you will take into consideration our request to place the cell phone tower somewhere less obtrusive.

Sincerely yours,


Jennifer Dougherty

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