



**clearwire**<sup>®</sup>  
wireless broadband

May 4, 2010

Town of Acton  
472 Main Street  
Acton, MA 01720

Dear Honorable Members of the Planning Board,

I am the network development consultant working on behalf of Clear Wireless LLC in connection with the proposed SBA tower located at 5-7 Craig Road in Acton, MA. There were alternate sites identified by the Planning Director and Abutters at the May 16<sup>th</sup> Planning Board meeting, all of which have been investigated by Clearwire. Please see below for the sites and our findings on each:

- 12 Annursnac Hill Rd, Concord: Clearwire is currently in the process of locating on this tower already
- 906 Elm Street, Concord: Too far to the east and close to a Clearwire proposed site at 200 Baker Avenue in Concord
- 965 Elm Street, Concord: Too far to the east and close to a Clearwire proposed site at 200 Baker Avenue in Concord
- 42.471911, -71.397207: Too far to the Northeast of the coverage objective
- 19 Wetherbee St, Acton: Too far to the East of the coverage objective
- 15 Massachusetts Ave, Acton: Too far to the East
- 1175 Elm St, Concord: Too far to the East
- 195 Mass Ave / 8 Forest St, Acton: This is currently a transfer station owned by the Town of Acton; there has been no RFP released on this property which would make this site not viable from a leasing perspective. Numerous phone calls and a certified letter to the Assistant Town Manager have not been returned.
- 50 Independence Rd, Acton
- 37 Lawsbrook Rd, Acton: Too far to the South
- 56 Lawsbrook Rd, Acton: Environmental concerns relating to the W.R. Grace contamination. Please see the attached letter from SBA
- 61 Lawsbrook Rd, Acton: Environmental concerns relating to the W.R. Grace contamination. Please see the attached letter from SBA

It was determined that the site which most fit the needs of Clearwire in regards to both construction and radio frequency was the future SBA tower location on the property at 5-7 Craig Road.

Best Regards,

John-Markus Pinard



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RE: SBA Towers II, LLC - Special Permit Application Alternative Analysis  
Address: 5-7 Craig Road, Acton, MA

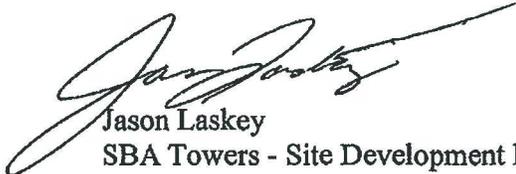
To Whom It May Concern –

It is SBA's understanding that in the process of conducting an alternatives analysis study, several alternate locations have been suggested on Lawsbrook Rd. in Acton, MA. More specifically, we understand that 37 Lawsbrook Rd., 56 Lawsbrook Rd., and 61 Lawsbrook Rd. had been suggested as potential alternatives for the pending application.

SBA believes that these locations potentially pose severe environmental concerns relative to the W.R. Grace contamination issue within the Town of Acton. Sites of known or potential contamination are sites that SBA Towers II, LLC generally would not consider leasing. These sites could potentially involve future remediation measures that could drastically impact the ability of SBA to maintain normal operations of its tower services to its carriers. Unfortunately, the risk and uncertainty posed by sites with existing or potential contamination issues are too great to consider locating a tower on now or in the future.

Towers located on contaminated sites are difficult to lease to future wireless tenants. Several telecommunications carriers will not even consider locating on these towers if there is a question of contamination. For all of these reasons, the locations suggested on Lawsbrook Rd. are not feasible for SBA to consider at this time.

Thank you,

  
Jason Laskey  
SBA Towers - Site Development Manager