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ACTON HISTORICAL COMMISSION

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Acton Planning Board
472 Main Street
Acton, MA 01720

Dear Board members

Several years ago, a cell tower was proposed for this location and we opposed it for several reasons. The most important of those was that it ruined the scenic and historic vista that is visible from both Route 2 and the several roads that intersect one another in the area.

We are not aware that more cellular phone service is necessary in Acton, more particularly the Route 2 corridor that is adjacent to Craig Road. In addition, the proposed site is in an area that has been utilized for agricultural use and some low impact industrial uses that do not draw attention from the surrounding farm land.

The Wright-Holden farm with its circa 1820's house and the horse farm provide those entering Acton with a vista depicting a rural setting. In addition, there is an historic rail bed that passes through the area in question, which is the future location of the Acton leg of the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail. The introduction of a cell tower will certainly have a negative impact on the historic and future recreational views in Acton, something we have worked hard to protect and preserve.

We oppose the installation of another cell tower in an area that is currently provided with what appears to be adequate coverage.

Respectfully submitted,
William A. Klauer
Chairman