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Dear Sir or Madam:

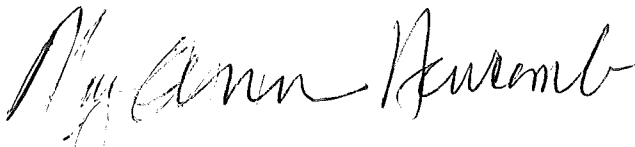
I am writing in regards to the hearing about installing a cell phone tower in south Mashpee. I have grown up in Mashpee for summers for the last 65 years and am now a full time resident.

I have personally had occasion to run up the street to find someone who had a land line or had service, to call for emergency medical treatment for my mother on Menemsha Road almost 20 years ago and astoundingly still have had to do it here for my husband who has Multiple Sclerosis. I also have 8 grandchildren under the age of 6 who are frequently at our home and some need to have access to immediate medical care due to severe allergies. We have Comcast phone service for our landline and when that goes down (as it is internet based) I have no connection despite paying for a Verizon booster to help the situation.

It seems that in a growing and successful town like Mashpee that valid and good cell service would be a given.

I hope that you will seriously consider this installation for the benefit of many for medical and emergency purposes if for no other reason.

Sincerely yours



Mary Ann Newcomb



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