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Dear Mr. LaClair,

We write regarding the wireless telecommunications facility at 1175 Palomar Drive. This facility is in a residential neighborhood, yet is industrial in both look and operation. It is an aesthetic eyesore and a potential health and safety hazard, decreasing the value of both the property and that of the surrounding neighborhood, which in turn reduces tax revenue to San Mateo County, while providing no benefit to the neighborhood that it harms, as we're told that the antennae point away from the neighborhood, and so do not improve the wireless coverage or speed.

As the facility is on private property, we might assume that the owner wants it to remain there and derives some benefit from its operation. But this is not the case: Tania Muqadarati, the current owner, was threatened with a lawsuit and coerced into resigning the lease. In addition, while T-Mobile nominally pays rent, they only recently installed a separate electric meter, and the cost to operate the facility is several times greater than the rent. In essence, Ms. Muqadarati has been subsidizing T-Mobile to operate a facility that she doesn't even want on her property!

Perhaps T-Mobile will argue that this is the only possible location for this particular facility. But again this is not the case: the Palomar Park Owner's association, at its own cost, has identified two locations where the facility could be relocated, and Ms. Muqadarati has even offered to bear the entire cost of moving the facility, an incredibly generous offer that T-Mobile has rejected.

Given that alternatives exist and that the facility has no benefit and only harms the owner, neighborhood, and County of San Mateo, we see no reason to prioritize the interests of the corporation – which booked 80 billion dollars in revenue last year and pays its CEO 22.6 million dollars annually – over that of Ms. Muqadarati's family and the citizens of San Mateo County, and we respectfully request that the application to renew the use permit be denied.

Thank you for your time and consideration,
Wes & Gillian Chao