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Subject Special Use Permit S09-0015/SBA Cellular Telecommunications Facility-Garden Valley

Dear Supervisors:

I am writing to express my firm opposition to the cell phone tower which is up for consideration on parcel (APN) 088-420-06, in Placer County: **Special Use Permit S09-0015/SBA Cellular Telecommunications Facility-Garden Valley.** It is my understanding that you are considering this item on June 22, 2010, at 2:00 pm in your chambers.

This parcel is directly adjacent to two (2) parcels which I have owned for over twenty-five (25) years.

I have consulted several licensed real estate agents with significant and direct experience in Garden Valley. I have also consulted with a developer who is familiar with Garden Valley and the "Placer County General Plan". All of these individuals have indicated that the value of my property will be ADVERSELY affected by the placement of this cell phone tower.

I also own two (2) separate, additional parcels (which I have also owned for over twenty-five (25) years) which are in very close proximity to the site of the proposed cell phone tower. The tower would be directly in the view shed of both of my additional properties. Both of my additional parcels are less than three hundred (300) yards from the proposed site for the cell phone tower. Both of my additional lots are slightly higher in elevation than the proposed site. And, both of my additional properties would have unobstructed views of this proposed cell phone tower.

The same realtors and developer, referred to above, have also advised me that, the proposed cell phone tower will ADVERSELY affect the value of my additional lots, which are less than three hundred (300) yards from the site of this proposed cell phone tower.

There is an alternative site which has only been minimally explored by the cell phone tower company. This site is in a better location for the community, and I am aware of no adjacent property owners who will object to the alternate site, as the site has scores of acreage and a tower would have less impact.

I am very sorry that I was unable to communicate with the county sooner regarding these matters. I am elderly and legally handicapped. It is very difficult for me to "get around" like I did when I was younger. Had I know sooner, I would have become involved earlier, to stop this proposed visual blight, which would NEGATIVELY affect the value of my four (4) parcels.

My financial and legal advisors have also indicated that this proposed tower would ADVERSLY affect my retirement. Please do NOT allow this tower to be placed on this proposed site. It is proposed to be one hundred (100) feet tall, and it would dwarf the surrounding trees and brush (which are minimal) by many, many feet! A very noticeable huge, fake tree tower would overshadow my and my neighbor's numerous lots.

As I stated earlier, there is another site close by, which is more suited for this situation. It offers less

impact to the neighbors, because of its large lot size. Also, this other very large parcel offers cell phone tower sites which are not as close to neighboring lots, and thus, have less or no impact on the value of their properties.

Thank you in advance for you time and consideration.

Sincerely,

John L. Pimentel