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Dear Executive Director Donaldson,

Our names are Clay and Kim Venable. We live with our two small children in a modest house on 4417 Balraj Lane, in Knox County. Our home is on a ridge in the back of the Vineyard Crest subdivision. From our front porch is a lovely view of Mt. Leconte and the Smokies in the distance.

We write to you today because T-Mobile and Excell Communications are seeking approval to construct a new cell tower in the woods behind our home (Item #52, file no. 7-G-10-UR). If such a tower is allowed to be built, it will harm our community's beauty, decrease property value, and deter potential homebuyers from investing in our neighborhood.

There are 46 cell towers within 4 miles of the proposed tower site. Our area is already well developed, and stands in danger of being overdeveloped. Our neighborhood already co-exists with a large TVA transmission line, and a KUB water tower on the top of our ridge. We feel we are pulling our weight for civic responsibility. We love where we live and do not want the quality of life for ourselves or our children to be diminished by unnecessary development.

We urge you to deny T-Mobile and Excell Communication's application and encourage them to seek an alternative location to meet their needs.

Sincerely,

Clay and Kim Venable