

November 4, 2013

To: Dr. Paul Demers, Chair of the Royal Society of Canada's Expert Panel Reviewing Safety Code 6, c/o Russel MacDonald at admin-assistant@rsc-src.ca

From: Sue Lebrecht

Dr. Demers and Royal Society, Safety Code 6 Panel Members:

I took part in the public consultation on October 28th, and as part of my presentation I declared that there was enough evidence, enough testimony, enough reason for doubt, that warrants an immediate national-wide moratorium on cell towers until Safety Code 6 is properly revised.

I'm writing now in follow-up, to ask – no, to beg – that if you can't put a Canada-wide moratorium, could you at least, please, if you can, stop just one cell tower from going up? It's the cell tower at 235 Grange (at Starwood) in Guelph, scheduled to be installed some time in the first quarter of the new year.

As mentioned in my presentation, I have devoted my life in the past five months to stopping this tower from going up. As an electrosensitive person, it would force me to move. In my efforts, I have moved the City of Guelph to revise its communication tower policy. I have armed our MP Frank Valeriote with petitions with hundreds of signatures, which he recently presented in the House of Commons.

<https://frankvaleriote.liberal.ca/blog/petition-cell-tower-2/>

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I've written Lou Battison at Industry Canada (attached) explaining how a cell tower would impact my life. As a single stay-at-home mom of a sensitive 6-yr-old, I am not in a position to move. There's nowhere to go. And the last thing I want to do is uproot my child.

I feel like you're my last link, my final hope.

I'm struggling as it is right now – emotionally, financially. To suddenly realize you're electrosensitive, is to realize alienation. All my resources have already gone into trying to protect my home.

I'm actually not sure what the public consultation was really all about. Was it providing information to you? The information is readily available. Anyone who does their homework arrives at the same spot: aghast and in horror of what is being allowed to happen here. Was it to instill a sense of conscience?

I don't know how much each or any of you has connections with the industry, but I can only hope that on some level, having heard from all of "us", particularly from those like myself who are struggling with ES, that you'll be moved – despite any connections – to do the right thing.

PLEASE start with stopping the installation of the Bell cell tower at 235 Starwood Drive in Guelph.

Please make that call for me. Please, help.

Sincerely,

Sue Lebrecht

Date: August 28, 2013 4:53:44 PM EDT

To: <Lou.Battiston@ic.gc.ca> <Lou.Battiston@ic.gc.ca>

Subject: Re: Proposed Bell Mobility Radiocommunication Facility at
235 Starwood Drive, Guelph

Dear Mr.Battiston,

Thank you for your response.

As mentioned in my initial email to you, I am electrosensitive, and if a cell tower is installed at Grange and Starwood it could have a tremendous detrimental effect on my health and my family life. Allowing this structure to be built may require me to move.

Moving, however, would prove extremely difficult.

* First, I don't have the resources. I'm a single, stay-at-home mom of a sensitive child.

* Secondly, I would have to find a home in a EMF-quiet neighbourhood. Is there such a thing? As mentioned in my initial email, I moved into my present home because, among things, it was the furthest possible distance from area cell towers.

* Third, my young one goes to an alternative school that's an eight-minute drive away. This was another factor in purchasing my present home. I don't want a long commute to drop off and pick up my child from school each day.

* Fourth, the new home would have to be comparable. I have a 1700-square-foot home with a legal basement apartment that provides me with \$900/month income on which I rely. I have kept an eye on the market and have seen nothing even closely comparable in the price range that I would get for this home.

My understanding is that under Industry Canada regulations, specifically CPC 2-0-17, Bell is required to co-locate on existing structures before building a new tower. Are there other existing towers that could give the same coverage/capacity effect? Have co-location sites been explored? What assurances do I have that this site is absolutely necessary – will your office confirm that Bell has no other options?

Moreover, I would like to know, what is Industry Canada prepared to do if this tower is constructed and I suffer ill health effects? Who is taking responsibility for the effects this tower may have on me, my child and our life? Who is liable to provide compensation for associated costs with regard to medical care, in-term EMR shielding and protection in my home, relocation to a comparable home, loss of income, etc.?

Your immediate acknowledgement to having received this email is appreciated and I look forward to a response at your earliest convenience.

Sue Lebrecht