To: "zoning.administrator@hardwickvt.org" <zoning.administrator@hardwickvt.org>

Chair Gross and members of the Hardwick Planning Commission:

I live on Hopkins Hill Road, not far from the Hopkins Hill tower, and I am writing to express my strong opposition to the AT&T proposal. I am tired of these giant corporations spreading their tentacles into every nook and cranny to exploit our resources and leave it to us to clean up their mess.

As public officials and people who help shape public policy, I ask that you consider the following report from your colleagues in New Hampshire:

http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/statstudcomm/committees/1474/reports/5G%20final%20report.pdf

If you have time to read it, please do. If not, I hope you will at least review the report's aggregation of studies documenting the biologically harmful effects of wireless radiation.

Please understand that many people in North America and throughout the world are concerned about the toxic effects of wireless radiation. I am one of those people. Every time industry adds a new layer of electropollution to the environment, it's bad news -- not only for humans, but for birds, insects and all biotic life.

You may also be wondering how cell towers affect property values. Well, here's the answer, and I'm afraid it's more bad news:

Cell Phone Towers Lower Property Values: Documentation And Research on Cellular Base Stations Near Homes - Environmental Health Trust

There is growing concern in our community and throughout Vermont about the threat to safety posed by the 5G rollout, and about the hazards of wireless radiation in general. I hope you will keep our concerns in mind in the weeks and months ahead. Please understand that wired connectivity is safer, more reliable and more energy-efficient than wireless.

Thank you in advance for your consideration. Please don't hesitate to contact me if I can provide additional information.

Respectfully,

Jim Kelty

Hardwick, VT

P.S. You may also be interested in reading this informative article published by the Society of Environmental Journalists: Is Wireless Technology an Environmental Health Risk?