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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing a letter to express my support of the proposed cell tower to be located just south of Rochester Village center. I am sure you have been receiving many letters in opposition. But the complaints heard at a recent special Planning & Zoning Board Meeting were mainly the typical "I've already got AT&T Service in town, so we don't need any others" and "I don't want that in my backyard". In that meeting specifically held in our large auditorium, only about 20 people showed up to voice opposition.

But as a 34 year resident I feel confident in saying that this kind of decision needs to be made for the good of ALL residents of Rochester and visitors, as well as through-travelers. We rely (as in most Vermont Towns), on tourism and not everyone uses AT&T.

Probably the most important factor is the matter of emergency communication. In the event of another tropical storm like Irene, it will be critical to have as much cell coverage as possible here. Folks out in the western part of the town were severely cut off from communication. We need to do our best to service those areas.

I hope the PUC will consider these points and rule in favor of the tower. I thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
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