PETITION TO THE ISLANDS TRUST AND ALL LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEES

DO NOT ADOPT THE PROPOSED "MODEL STRATEGY FOR ANTENNA SYSTEMS": CREATE AN ANTENNA SITING POLICY THAT PRESERVES AND PROTECTS

We, the undersigned, residents of Canada, draw the attention of the Islands Trust and our Local Trust Committees to the following:

THAT WHEREAS the telecommunications industry is preparing for 5G, moving away from macro tower installations and towards installing many small cell or microcell antennas in our public rights-of-way, and;

WHEREAS the federal government gives the public no input on the placement of small cell antennas on existing structures like utility poles on our streets, and;

WHEREAS the proposed Trust-wide *Model Strategy for Antenna Systems* now being voted on for adoption is much less protective than current individual local Trust polices now in place,

THEREFORE, we the undersigned **RESIDENTS OF CANADA** call upon **LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEES,** and the **ISLANDS TRUST** overall, to create a Trust-wide Antenna Siting Protocol that is as protective as possible, thus adhering to the Precautionary Principle as outlined in several Trust regions' official community plans.

Such a policy would state that:

- Radiofrequency radiation-emitting antennas be located no closer to areas of continuous human activity than 500 metres, with the cumulative sum total of incident radiofrequency power density levels at regularly occupied buildings not to exceed 2 microwatts/cm2, consistent with the Salt Spring Antenna protocol of 2001; and,
- Antennas not be placed near sensitive areas including schools, playgrounds, and day care facilities, consistent with the current 2018 Galiano Island siting protocol, and that hospitals, long-term care facilities and areas where people frequently congregate, including parks, beaches and lakes, be 1000 metres away from telecom facilities.

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