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Via Courier

Mr. Ricky Barker, Director  
Loudoun County Department of Planning and Zoning  
One Harrison Street, SE  
Leesburg, VA 20175

Re: CMPT-2016-0001, AT&T Short Hill

Dear Mr. Barker:

I am writing to inform you that we have decided to suspend our plans to construct the proposed building as part of our telephone transmission utility substation on Short Hill Mountain. We hereby request to withdraw the commission permit application.

We do not come to this decision easily. The facility is a vital part of our global telecommunications network. The upgrades would have provided Loudoun County businesses and residents additional opportunities to receive a variety of services such as Wi-Fi, entertainment, high speed internet and, eventually, enhanced wireless broadband services. And, contrary to speculation, the site is not a data center and our planned upgrade would not have converted it into one.

We have been doing business in the Commonwealth of Virginia since 1897. More than 400 AT&T employees and retirees live in Loudoun County and we invested more than \$89 million in our network in the county from 2013 through 2015.

We have been a part of your great community for decades. Please be assured that we aspire to be good neighbors. We are grateful to staff, the Planning Commission, the Board of Supervisors, and the community for the robust dialogue about the site.

Sincerely,

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Principal-Technical Architect  
AT&T Global Public Sector Solutions

Cc: The Honorable Geary Higgins, Supervisor, Catoctin District  
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