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Subject: Fire Risk Assessment Statement – Proposed Communication Tower

Site Location: 344 W. 1000 N, La Porte, IN 46350

To Whom It May Concern,

This letter is provided to address questions regarding the potential fire risk associated with the proposed installation of a communication tower at the property located at **344 W. 1000 N, La Porte, Indiana 46350**.

Based on established engineering principles, applicable building and electrical codes, and the typical design and operation of modern communication tower infrastructure, it is our professional position that the presence of a communication tower at this location does **not introduce any material or increased risk of fire** beyond standard site conditions.

Communication towers and their associated equipment are designed and constructed in accordance with stringent regulatory and industry standards, including but not limited to the National Electrical Code (NEC), National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) guidelines, and applicable local and state regulations. These systems are engineered to incorporate appropriate safeguards such as grounding systems, surge protection, and compliant electrical installations intended to minimize ignition hazards. Additionally:

- **Communication towers themselves are typically composed of non-combustible materials such as galvanized steel, which do not contribute to fire load.**
- Electrical components associated with the tower are installed in compliance with recognized safety standards and are subject to inspection and maintenance protocols.
- Proper grounding and lightning protection systems are integral to tower design, significantly reducing the risk of fire due to electrical faults or environmental conditions.
- The operational nature of communication equipment does not involve open flames, combustible processes, or heat generation levels that would pose a credible ignition risk when installed and maintained properly.



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It is therefore concluded that the proposed communication tower at the referenced site does not constitute a heightened fire hazard and does not materially alter the fire risk profile of the property. Should additional technical documentation or clarification be required, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Grant Phillips

Iron Mountain Towers, LLC