

June 29, 2012

Mr. Richard Arnold, Nova Scotia District Manager
Industry Canada - Spectrum Management - Nova Scotia District Office
50 Brown Avenue
Dartmouth, NS B3B 1X8

Dear Mr. Arnold,

**Re: Case 17167: Telecommunications Tower at 2699 Old Sambro Road,
Williamswood**

Please be advised of the Western Region Community Council's motion, passed on June 25, 2012, advising that they are not in support of the proposed location, 2699 Old Sambro Road, for a telecommunications tower.

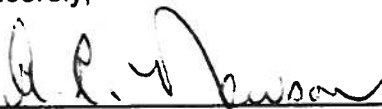
MOVED by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Lund that the Western Region Community Council inform Industry Canada that they are not in support of the proposal by Bragg Communications Inc. (EastLink) to erect a new, 60 metre (200 foot), self-supporting telecommunications tower and associated equipment cabinet located at 2699 Old Sambro Road, Williamswood, as shown on Attachment A of the June 14, 2012 staff report, and; request that an alternate location, as previously requested, be considered. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

The Community Council noted that 2699 Old Sambro Road was located in an R-2 (Two Unit Dwelling) Residential zone and requested that Industry Canada consider alternate sites, such as a commercial or industrial area, for the proposed telecommunications tower. An industrial or commercial location would be preferable for telecommunication towers as locating such towers in a residential area would impact on the aesthetics of the area as well as having a potentially negative impact on property values.

The community has expressed opposition to the proposed site, at a public information meeting held on October 19, 2011 and in a petition that was submitted to Halifax Regional Council on December 6, 2011, citing concerns on the suitability of a tower in the mainly rural, residential area as well as health and environmental issues. Minutes from the October 19, 2011 meeting and a copy of the petition are attached to the June 14, 2012 staff report which you will find enclosed.

The Community Council, on behalf of the local community, expressed concern that the tower was proposed to be moved only 230 metres from the original site with no indication that an alternate site(s) had been considered.

Sincerely,



A. Christine Newsen, Legislative Assistant
Western Region Community Council

Encl. June 14, 2012 staff report on Case 17167

C: ✓ Members of Western Region Community Council; Ms. Dali Salih, HRM Planner