

**MINIER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL  
MINIER MERCHANTS**

**P O Box 101  
Minier, IL 61759**

February 16, 2006

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to request the addition of a cellular tower in Minier, Illinois. As documented in the attached documents, our community suffers from dropped calls and dead zones with our cellular service.

Many businesses and individuals rely on cell phones to manage their daily lives and our businesses. We currently have very poor cellular service from all of the available service providers. Daryl Weseloh, who serves as our local chief of police as well as the vice-president of the Minier Economic Development Council (MEDCO) has been working with a grassroots group of volunteers in the community to work on bringing cellular service to the Minier area.

Included with this letter you will see that there are letters of support from the Minier Village Board, and our neighboring community of Armington as well. There are also numerous letters of support from various businesses, emergency service providers, and individuals who do business and live in the Minier area.

You will also see that there are signed petitions which were circulated throughout our area businesses, schools, and civic groups concerning this very pressing issue. As you can see, many of those who have signed these letters when they were posted in area businesses are even from outside of Minier but they come to Minier to visit and conduct business. Of all of the people who have signed these various forms included in this packet, there is one consistent thing that these citizens have in common: **POOR CELLULAR SERVICE IN MINIER.**

We would greatly appreciate your support and assistance in this matter. We strongly encourage the passing of legislation which would provide the Universal Service Fund to be available to cellular service companies in Illinois to subsidize these companies' efforts in establishing tower sites in our area. We already have numerous land owners who have expressed interest in providing land space for rent so that these towers can be positioned in our area to make cellular service feasible. We also have many people willing to cancel their current cellular phone contracts and switch to whatever services are willing to locate in Minier. Should you have questions, please direct inquiries to Chief Daryl Weseloh of the Minier Police Department at (309) 392-2442, ext. 104. Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely Yours,



**Brad Glenn  
MEDCO President**

cc: Mr. John Hester, Illinois Commerce Commission  
Ms. Anita Becker, Senator Obama's Office  
Mr. John Corrigan, United States Cellular  
Governor Rod Blagojevich  
Ms. Carolyn Brown Hodge, Lt. Governor's Office  
Robert Johnessee, Bunker Hill Chamber of Commerce  
Senator Bill Brady, Illinois State Senate  
Nextel Cellular

Michelle Mishoe, Illinois Commerce Commission  
Mr. Bill Huffman, Senator Dick Durbin's Office  
Mr. Phillip Wood, Vice- President of Verizon  
Lt. Governor Pat Quinn  
Tim Collins, Illinois Institute for Rural Affairs  
Representative Ray LaHood, US Congress  
Rep. Bill Mitchell, Ill. House of Representatives

**RESOLUTION #237**

**Inadequate and Nonexistent Cellular Telephone Service**

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Minier Board of Trustees in the Village of Minier are aware of very inadequate and sometimes nonexistent cellular telephone service in the Minier, Illinois area, as well as the southeastern corner of Tazewell County; and

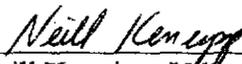
**WHEREAS**, it is deemed necessary at this time to pass this resolution calling on the Federal Communications Commission, as well as our elected U.S. Senators and Congressman representing our area to investigate why there is no service at times and very inadequate service the rest of the time; and

**WHEREAS**, it is an unnecessary drain on the local economy; and

**WHEREAS**, the mandatory goals of the Department of Homeland Security will not be met with the very inadequate cellular telephone service now available; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board of the Village of Minier, IL. feels it is within reason to have a corrective solution to the inadequate service now being experienced as soon as possible.

Signed this 6th day of December, 2005 A.D.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Neill Keneipp, Village President

Attest:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Sandy Lancaster, Village Clerk

cc: U.S. Senators, Honorable Richard Durbin, Honorable Barack Obama  
U. S. Congressman, Honorable Ray LaHood

# Village of Armington

P.O. Box 31, 103 N. Main Street

Armington, Ill. 61721-0031

Phone: (309)392-3154

Fax: (309)392-3236

Village President: Eric Gale

Village Clerk: JoAnn Williams

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December 6, 2005

Village of Minier  
Attention: Daryl Weseloh  
110 West Central  
Box 350  
Minier, IL 61759

Re: Resolution Cellular Phones

Dear Chief Weseloh:

Please find enclosed an accepted Resolution # R-05-12-05, same being for Inadequate and Nonexistent Cellular Telephone Service.

If we can be of further assistance, please advise.

Sincerely,



Jo Ann Williams  
Village Clerk  
Village of Armington

Enclosure

RESOLUTION NO. R-05-12-05

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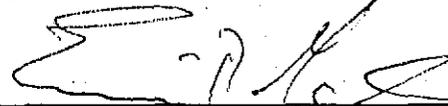
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WHEREAS, the Village Board of the Village of Armington, Illinois, feels it is within reason to have a corrective solution to the inadequate service now being experienced as soon as possible.

Signed this 5<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2005 A.D.



Eric R. Gale, Village President

Attest:

  
Jo Ann Williams, Village Clerk

STATE OF ILLINOIS

COUNTY OF TAZEWELL

CERTIFICATE

I, Jo Ann Williams, certify that I am the duly appointed and acting Municipal Clerk of the Village of Armington, Tazewell County, Illinois.

I further certify that on December 5th, 2005 the Corporate Authorities of such municipality accepted Resolution No. R-05-12-05, Same being

Inadequate and Nonexistent Cellular Telephone Service

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I certify that I posted a true and exact copy of said Resolution in the following places:

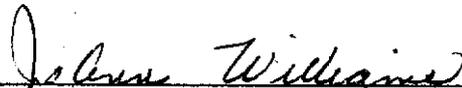
Armington Village Hall

Armington Post Office

John Hieser Insurance Agency, Inc.

commencing on December 6th, 2005, and continuing for at least ten days thereafter. Copies of such resolution were also available for public inspection upon request in the office of the Village Clerk.

DATED at Armington, Illinois, this 6th day of December, 2005.

  
Jo Ann Williams, Village Clerk

SEAL

*Larry L. Ary  
Connie E. Ary  
13330 Toboggan Ave.  
Green Valley, IL 61534*

November 23, 2005

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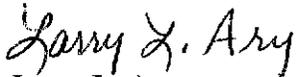
Dropped calls and dead zones are something cell phone users in or near this community experience every day.

We rely on cell phones to manage our lives and our farm business. Poor reception and lack of coverage is more than an inconvenience. It is a matter of public safety. Not being able to reach a 911 operator on a cell phone could be a matter of life and death.

**In fact, for our family it was a huge matter last fall when a family member was seriously injured in a farming accident. A call for help was made to another family member who works in the Minier community. However, because of poor cellular service, that person could not be immediately reached.**

Help us improve the quality of life for our citizens and visitors to our community by bringing a cellular tower to this community.

Sincerely,



Larry L. Ary

Self-employed Area Farmer



## Olympia Community Unit School District No. 16

*Andrew Steven Wise*

**Olympia West Elementary School Principal**

302 North School - Box 830 - Minier, Illinois 61759 - Phone 309.392.2671

Fax 309.392.2497 - e-mail: [andrew.wise@olympia.org](mailto:andrew.wise@olympia.org)

November 18, 2005

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I am writing to request the addition of a cellular tower in Minier, Illinois.

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**Cell phone use is next to impossible in the Minier and Stanford area. The area around 8 communities compose the Olympia School District. Communication is essential for families, schools, and communities. Many families hoped to use cell phones for their high school students to communicate home. Olympia High School is located in rural Stanford located in the middle between Stanford and Minier. Students often have to get into cars and drive to a certain place where there is "some" (not good) reception in order to use their phones, if it is a good day for reception.**

Help us improve the quality of life for our citizens and visitors to our community by bringing a cellular tower to our community.

Sincerely,

*Reesa Shappaugh*

Robert E. Cremeens, Jr.  
Superintendent of Public Works  
110 W. Central St., P.O. Box 350  
Minier, IL 61759



Telephone 309-392-2442  
Fax 309-392-2906  
Cell 309-261-1388

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The Minier Department of Public Works uses cell phones as its only means of communication between employees. It is essential to the efficient operation of this department that we have reliable communications. This is especially important during emergency situations.

Help us improve the quality of life for our citizens and visitors to our community by bringing a cellular tower to our community.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Cremeens, Jr.  
Superintendent of Public Works

**MINIER LICENSE & TITLE SERVICES**  
**P O Box 557**  
**Minier, IL 61759**

October 17, 2005

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Yes, we would be interested in signing a petition for a tower in our town that would provide clear reception for our cell phones.

Sincerely,

MINIER LICENSE & TITLE SERVICES

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nina C. Riegler".

Nina C. Riegler, Owner

**RIEGLER'S WELDING & GENERAL REPAIR, INC.**  
704 N. Maple P O Box 557  
Minier, IL 61759  
(309)275-3932 (309) 392-2123

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**A lot of my customers call ahead or from the fields to get help in a hurry. That is a laugh. We yell at each other can you hear me? Are you there? Where are you? Do you need help other than welding? It goes on like that till we finally move around the area finding a signal and then it doesn't last very long. A bird, a cloud whatever, and that's the end of call. I cannot afford to run my business if I can't use the cell phone. You folks go on about how beneficial a cell phone is and then forget we're out here trying to use them. We need a tower desperately and now not in a few years. We have needed a tower for that long already. Times up folks, lets get busy spending some of your time backing up your claims of quality service.**

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Sincerely,

  
Donald W. Riegler, Owner  
Riegler's Welding & General Repair,  
Minier Econo-Wash



# Superior Computers

taking computing into tomorrow....today

November 18, 2005

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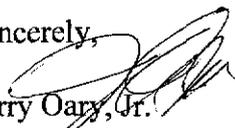
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**In my business, I rely on the cell phone to stay in contact with vendors, prospective customers and technicians around the area. Without this phone, I lose money every day. Now with Government contracts pending it is imperative that I have a phone that actually has a signal. This tower will go a long way in saving this business as well as other businesses in this area. You keep telling us how wonderful the cells are to have and then we run around finding some kind of signal so we can use them. I have missed too many calls and am losing calls in the middle of a conversation, and this is unacceptable. If you want to do the consumer a favor, get your act together and give us the service you are charging us for. At these prices, we should be able to talk to Mars.**

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Sincerely,

  
Jerry Oary, Jr.  
Superior Technology Enterprises, LLC  
Superior Computers, and Internet Systems  
P O Box 0935, Minier, IL 61759  
105 S. Orchard, Mackinaw, IL 61755  
(309)642-9549 - (309) 392-2563

FlatCon  
300 S. Eastern St.  
Minier, IL 61759  
Not Flat, Just Level

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Sincerely,



C David Ross

**WARSAW IMPLEMENT CO., INC.**  
**208 E. Route 122**  
**Minier, IL 61759-0557**

October 17, 2005

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Yes, we would be interested in signing a petition for a tower in our town that would provide clear reception for our cell phones.

I would also agree to have a petition here at the gas station and test lane for others to sign as well.

Sincerely,

WARSAW IMPLEMENT COMPANY, INC.



Nina C. Riegler,  
Bookkeeping



# Morton Community Bank

November 21, 2005

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to request the addition of a cellular tower in Minier, Illinois.

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Our bank has a branch location in Minier, where we find that many clients and employees are inconvenienced daily because of "no service" in and around the Minier community. We find that cellular communication is sometimes the **only** way of communication with many of our customers and fellow employees.

Help us improve the quality of life for our citizens and visitors to our community by bringing a cellular tower to our community.

Sincerely,

Connie Ary  
Vice President  
Minier Community Bank  
a division of Morton Community Bank  
Ph. 309-392-3247

MAIN OFFICE • MORTON COMMUNITY BANK • 721 W. JACKSON • BOX 104 • MORTON, ILLINOIS 61550 • 309-266-5337

MORTON COMMUNITY BANK  
MCB-ON-MAIN  
1301 S. MAIN  
MORTON, ILLINOIS 61550

FONDULAC BANKING CENTER  
A DIVISION OF MORTON COMMUNITY BANK  
2400 E. WASHINGTON  
EAST PEORIA, ILLINOIS 61611

FONDULAC EXPRESS  
A DIVISION OF MORTON COMMUNITY BANK  
252 E. WASHINGTON  
EAST PEORIA, ILLINOIS 61611

MINIER BANKING CENTER  
A DIVISION OF MORTON COMMUNITY BANK  
701 N. MINIER AVENUE, BOX 828  
MINIER, ILLINOIS 61759

FONDULAC BANKING CENTER-SUNNYLAND  
A DIVISION OF MORTON COMMUNITY BANK  
2301 WASHINGTON ROAD  
WASHINGTON, ILLINOIS 61571

EUREKA COMMUNITY BANK  
A DIVISION OF MORTON COMMUNITY BANK  
205 S. MAIN STREET  
EUREKA, ILLINOIS 61530

BANK PEORIA  
A DIVISION OF MORTON COMMUNITY BANK  
6907 N. KNOXVILLE  
PEORIA, ILLINOIS 61614

COMMUNITY BANK OF BARTONVILLE  
A DIVISION OF MORTON COMMUNITY BANK  
617 W. GARFIELD AVENUE  
BARTONVILLE, ILLINOIS 61607

ROANOKE-BENSON COMMUNITY BANK  
A DIVISION OF MORTON COMMUNITY BANK  
306 N. MAIN STREET, BOX 500  
ROANOKE, ILLINOIS 61561

**NINA'S NAILS & MORE - Spa Facials  
215 Brookside Court - P O Box 557  
Minier, IL 61759  
(309)275-3930 or (309)392-2938**

November 18, 2005

To Whom It May Concern:

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**Lots of times my clients call on the cell phone from theirs and we get cut off so easily it's pathetic. They finally give up and don't show up. I certainly cannot afford to continue this if the service is so bad. Once upon a time it was great which is why I continually brag about my Nextel phone and service, but I notice I'm not recommending Nextel anymore.**

**And forget putting in an emergency call, cause most of the time there is no service. We could bleed to death before help could even get our SOS.**

**Cell phone retailers always talk about their service and reception, but around here that is a joke. Start backing up your commercials.**

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Sincerely,



Nina C. Riegler, Owner:  
Nina's Nails & More  
Minier License & Title Services  
Bookkeeping Services



# MINIER POLICE DEPARTMENT

110 West Central Street • P.O. Box 350  
Minier, Illinois 61759

DARYL L. WESELOH, Chief of Police

Dispatch: 1-800-322-0166  
Fax: 309-392-2906  
e-mail: [minierpd@mchsi.com](mailto:minierpd@mchsi.com)

November 29, 2005

To Whom It May Concern:

We would like to call your attention to a very serious dilemma for the emergency service providers in the Minier, Illinois area. Most of the time, cellular service is very limited in the Minier area. We are on the fringe of several different service providers, and many emergency call attempts are lost or incomplete.

Our officers have become accustomed to using cellular phones to keep them out on patrol instead of in the office. We also all use them to maintain confidentiality during investigations instead of broadcasting sensitive information over heavily-monitored police radio frequencies. We also use them to keep in touch with fellow officers as well as confidential informants.

We also receive frequent reports of crime and car accidents from motorists as well as low-income residents who count on cellular phones for their sole contact in emergency situations. The inability to have dependable coverage in these circumstances greatly hinders emergency services and personal safety in the Minier area.

We have several property owners in the Minier area who are willing to provide property and/or tower space to make the establishment of cellular service in the area a reality.

Please feel free to contact me regarding this matter.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Daryl L. Weseloh".

Daryl L. Weseloh  
Chief of Police

November 25, 2005

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I am writing to request the addition of a cellular tower in Minier, Illinois.

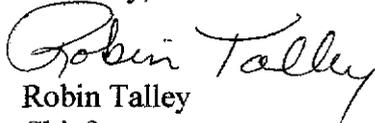
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**Also our Rescue squad depends on Cell Phones to communicate with other Agencies, our own Rescue Personnel and Hospitals. We use cell phones to fax results from a Heart Monitor to the hospital so that they can be prepared in advance. Currently we are not able to do this from our squad until it is much too late for the hospital to be as prepared as they need to be. We have to hook the monitor up to a landline phone before we leave the patient's residence, which delays time in getting them to the hospital.**

Help us improve the quality of life for our citizens and visitors to our community by bringing a cellular tower to our community.

Sincerely,



Robin Talley

Chief

Minier Rescue Squad

# DELAVAN EMERGENCY SERVICES & DISASTER AGENCY

P. O. Box 590, 219 Locust St.

Delavan, Illinois 61734

Telephone: 309-244-7266 Email: [ronnido1@amchsl.com](mailto:ronnido1@amchsl.com)



Ron Stone  
Director

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I am the Director of the Delavan Emergency Services and Disaster Agency in Delavan IL. I feel the telephone problem in Minier is a big problem and should be addressed as soon as possible. If Minier would need our assistance, in times of emergencies, there is a possibility that time would be lost, due to the phone system. When life and property are on the line, time is very important and every second counts. Thank you, Ron Stone

**JAMI S. FOLEY**

506 Northbrook Drive, P O Box 556, Minier, IL 61759

Ph: 309-392-2035

December 2, 2005

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We rely on cell phones to manage our lives and our businesses. Poor reception and lack of coverage is more than an inconvenience. It is a matter of public safety. Not being able to reach a 911 operator on a cell phone could be a matter of life and death.

With two young men in my house and a pre-teenage daughter not being able to use cell phones adds to our financial burden and prevents our family from getting phone calls as our non-cell phone line is usually in use. If we were able to use our cell phones, we would all have our own phones and not miss any phone calls (some of them very important, relating to employment, etc.) and would not have any long distance charges (which have cost us over \$200/month).

Help us improve the quality of life for our citizens and visitors to our community by bringing a cellular tower to our community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jami Foley". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Jami Foley

# CABINETS PLUS of MINIER

108 NORTH MAIN MINIER, ILLINOIS 61759  
OFFICE: (309) 392-2800 FAX: (309) 392-1616

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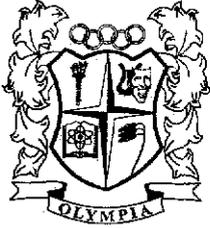
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The majority of our customers are from out of town, generally at least 30 miles or more away. A good portion of those customers are business people themselves such as contractors or realtors. They often need to be reached by phone for their own business reasons. There is nothing more frustrating than to have your cell phone ring and not be able to conduct a conversation with the person on the other end because of poor reception. Often when this happens our customers have to leave our building in order to receive their phone call. This is not only frustrating for the customer but also for us as it interrupts out trying to conduct business.

Help us improve the quality of life for our citizens and visitors to our community by bringing a cellular tower to our community.

Sincerely,

Cabinets Plus of Minier  
Mike and Denise King, Owners  
Christi Hensley, Designer  
Traci McGinnis, Designer



# Olympia Community Unit School District No. 16

**Donald F. Hahn ~ Superintendent**

903 E. 800 North Road v Stanford Illinois 61774-9612 ~ 309.379.6011 ~ Fax 309.379.2328 ~ e-mail: [don.hahn@olympia.org](mailto:don.hahn@olympia.org)

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Monday, November 14, 2005

To Whom It May Concern:

It has come to my attention that the village of Minier is working to bring better cellular service to its community and surrounding area. This letter is to confirm that the Olympia C.U.S.D. #16 is in full support of improving the cellular service in the aforementioned area.

Getting a cellular signal while at the Olympia High/Middle School and Administration Office has always been an issue. This is an issue that not only affects the staff and students, but all visitors as well. Throughout the year, Olympia is host to many extra-curricular events. In today's world of technology, it is almost imperative that a strong signal is provided for communication between student participants and their parents and between transportation personnel.

A better and stronger cellular system would definitely benefit our school district. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Donald F. Hahn  
Superintendent

DH/vl

*OLYMPIA: A Tradition of Excellence in Education*

Lance Thurman, Principal  
Ruth McCartney  
Asst. Principal/Dean of Students  
Michael Lootens  
Asst. Activities Director/Asst. Principal

# OLYMPIA HIGH SCHOOL



7832 N. 100 E. Road  
Stanford, Illinois 61774  
Ph. 309/379-5911 Fax 309/379-2583

November 23, 2005

To Whom It May Concern:

It has come to my attention that the village of Minier is working to bring better cellular service to its community and surrounding area. This letter is to confirm that I believe that this is a necessity for the safety and well-being of our student body.

Getting a cellular signal while at the Olympia High/Middle School and Administration Office has always been an issue. This is an issue that not only affects the staff and students, but all visitors as well. Throughout the year, Olympia is host to many extra-curricular events. In today's world of technology, it is almost imperative that a strong signal is provided for communication between student participants and their parents and between transportation personnel.

This is a great need of our students and staff especially when dealing with the transportation issues associated with our extra-curricular activities.

A better and stronger cellular system would definitely benefit our school district. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mike Lootens".

Mike Lootens  
Assistant Principal  
Olympia High School



# Olympia Community Unit School District No. 16

Trent Keller v Director of Transportation

903 E. 800 North Road v Stanford Illinois 61774-9612 v 309.379.2304 v Fax 309.379.2328 v e-mail: trent.keller@olympia.org

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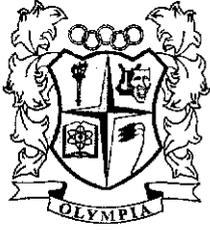
A better and stronger cellular system would definitely benefit our school district. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Trent P. Keller".

Trent P. Keller,  
Director of Transportation

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# Olympia Community Unit School District No. 16

Mary Idleman - Director of Food Services

7832 N. 100 East Road - Stanford Illinois 61774-9494 - 309.379.5911, ext. 1111 - Fax 309.379.2583

- e-mail: mary.idleman@olympia.org

Friday, December 2, 2005

To Whom It May Concern:

As Food Service Director of Olympia C.U.S.D. #16, it is essential for me to have a strong cellular system within this district. Many of my vendors complain to me about missed calls while they are within this area. I often cannot get a signal when driving between schools. This is very frustrating in this age of advanced technology.

I urge you to seek a better communication system in this Minier-Stanford area. It would be beneficial not only for me and my staff, but also for the professional people and tradesmen who come to this area during the school year.

I am appreciative of all effort in this area.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary Idleman" with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mary Idleman, RD, LDN, SFNS  
Director of Food Services  
Olympia C.U.S.D. #16

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November 22, 2005

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to request the addition of a cellular tower in Minier, Illinois.

Dropped calls and dead zones are something cell phone users in our community experience every day.

We rely on cell phones to manage our lives and our businesses. Poor reception and lack of coverage is more than an inconvenience. It is a matter of public safety. Not being able to reach a 911 operator on a cell phone could be a matter of life and death.

Help us improve the quality of life for our citizens and visitors to our community by bringing a cellular tower to our community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cathy J. Cross".

Cathy J. Cross

11/18/05

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Cell phone use for my family is a daily occurrence. Long distance phone calls from my home phone can be very expensive and my cell phone could reduce the cost significantly if it would work consistently from my home. I have three children who love to go on walks and bike rides around town. Being able to send a cell phone with them that I can count on working would be a great relief to me. One day this past summer the kids were out for a walk and my daughter hurt her foot. She was bleeding and unable to walk home. My son was unable to reach me because the cell phone didn't work due to poor signal! He had to run home and get me. This wasted a lot of time, and had the injury been more serious, time can make all the difference in the world.

Help us improve the quality of life for our citizens and visitors to our community by bringing a cellular tower to our community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Deanna Bennet". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Deanna Bennet

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**Wm. Dorsey Packard**  
Certified Public Accountant

December 30, 2005

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I am writing to request the addition of a cellular tower in Minier, Illinois.

Dropped calls and dead zones are something cell phone users in our community experience every day. As a CPA Firm, many of our clients are coming to our office in Minier from other areas, such as Chicago, Bloomington, Peoria, Springfield, etc. Many of these people need to get in touch with their offices and businesses on a continual basis and the inability for them to do so due to lack of cellular service is both an inconvenience to them and a detriment to conducting a business in this area without such service.

We rely on cell phones to manage our lives and our businesses. Poor reception and lack of coverage is more than inconvenience. It's a matter of public safety. Not being able to reach a 911 operator on a cell phone could be a matter of life and death.

Help us to improve both the quality of life and the ability to conduct business for our citizens and businesses in our community by bringing a cellular tower to the Minier, Illinois area.

Very truly yours,

  
Gary R. Gemberling



**American Red Cross**

Central Illinois Chapter  
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Peoria, IL 61605-2524  
(309) 677-7272  
[www.redcrossillinois.org](http://www.redcrossillinois.org)

January 4, 2006

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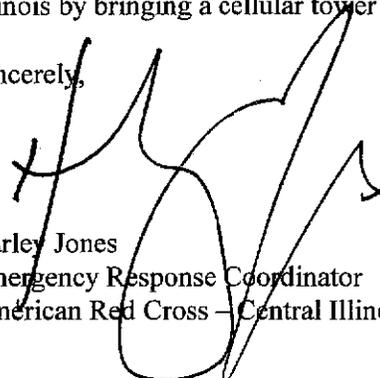
Dropped calls and dead zones are something cell phone users in that community experience every day.

The people of Minier rely on cell phones to manage their lives and their businesses. Poor reception and lack of coverage are more than an inconvenience; it is a matter of public safety. Not being able to reach a 911 operator on a cell phone could be a matter of life and death.

First responders rely on first rate communications amongst themselves and with other agencies, like the American Red Cross. Timely and reliable communications in the area will help provide live saving services to a large segment of southern Tazewell County. The American Red Cross is an asset that can provide shelter, food, and clothing to Illinois citizens in times of a disaster and a reliable means of communications would allow Minier authorities to quickly access those resources in times of urgent need.

Please help us improve the quality of life for the citizens and visitors of Minier, Illinois by bringing a cellular tower to our community.

Sincerely,

  
Harley Jones  
Emergency Response Coordinator  
American Red Cross - Central Illinois Chapter

Anne M. Fox  
Chief Executive Officer

November 22, 2005

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The Tazewell County Health Department conducts a variety of activities in Minier including home visits by nurses, restaurant inspections, well and septic inspections, and others. We depend on cell phones while conducting our daily business in the Minier community.

Help us improve the quality of life for our citizens and visitors to our county by bringing a cellular tower to the community of Minier, IL.

Sincerely,

Dawn Cook  
Public Health Emergency Preparedness Coordinator  
Tazewell County Health Department

## Cellular Service Petition

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Name	Address	Date Signed
Dan Curtis	277 S. Western Minier	10/27/05
Brandii Trew	102 S. Eastern Minier	10-30-05
Susan Gordon	201 S. Monroe Armington	10-30-05
Mike + Linda Wilson	30750 Center Rd Armington	10-30-05
Liz + Greg Gemberling	301 N. Minier Minier	10-30-05
Michael P. Jones	316 So. Minier Ave Minier IL	10-30-05
Jack Medved	316 So. Minier Ave Minier IL	10-30-05
Jessica Warnock	316 So. Minier	10-30-05
Tom + Patsy Welch	205 S. Western Ave.	10-30-05
<del>Connie</del> Connie Twente	204 3rd St. Armington, IL 61721	10-31-05
Robert Conway	213 South Main Armington	10-30-05
Wm. J. Christ	602 N. Main	10/30/05
CASSI STODER	28031 Utwiller Rd	10/30/05
Emily Mahan	517 N. Main West Minier	10/30/05
Barla Hasler	121 E Boundary Stamford	10/30/05
Chara Breedwell	309 NW Advance Minier	10/30/05
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John Cooper	815 W. Walnut Hopedale	10/30/05
Mike W. [unclear]	411 S. Eastern Minier	10/31/05
Robert S. Gray	209 N. Maple Minier	10/31/05
Deke Jeppson	406 W. Main Stamford	10/31/05
Walter Walker	5418 N 100 E Rd Macomb IL 61754	10-31-05
Shawn Moore	212 W. Chicago St. Minier, IL	10-31-05
Sara Schlan	315 S. School Minier	10-31-05
Paula Stockeche		
Doug Honing	507 S. Main Minier	11-1-05
David Davis	28 N. Main	11/1/05
Bob [unclear]	208 N. Maple	11/1/05
Bruce [unclear]	30740 Center Rd	11/1/05
Sherry White	310 W. Olive Minier IL	11/1/05
Tom [unclear]	Minier IL 61759	11/1/05
Tim Bos	110 Conell St Green Valley IL	11/1/05
MARY CRISMAN	Armington, IL	11/1/05
HOWARD MCGINNIS	MINIER IL	11/1/05
Richele Freitag	Minier, IL	11/1/05
Karla Hedrick	Minier IL	11/1/05
JOHN DUKE	Minier IL	11-1-05

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Mitzi A. Royal	213 S. Western Ave Minier IL	11-01-05
Julie Malone	467 N. School Minier	11-01-05
Maria Monteleone	408 N School Minier	11-01-05
Soyce Strubhar	4340 E. 600 North Road McLean	11-1-05
Dick Dillworth	3105. Minier, Minier	11-1-05
Kathryn Hasty	314 A S. Minier, Minier	11-1-05
LAKE COVAY	315 S. Main Minier	11-1-05
Sue Hoff	311 N Minier Ave Minier	11-1-05
Erin Knapp	311 N. Minier Ave. Minier	11-1-05
Kathy Williams	112 E PARK MINIER	11/1/05
Julie Mitchell	211 W. Park Minier	11/2/05
Janet	310 W. Olive Minier	11-2-05
Bill Linder	302 N Minier Minier	11-2-05
Ron Smith	404 S Maple Minier	11-2-05
Denise G. King	209 N. Maple Minier	11-2-05
Michelle Springer	119 E 1300 N. Rd Stanford	11/2/05
Roger Springer	29373 Lagoon Rd Minier	11-2-05
Andrew Wise	9 Cornwall Ave Mackinaw	11-2-05
LISA EDENFIELD	P.O. Box 1093 Minier	11-2-05
Heather Needles	PO Box 1061 Minier IL	11-2-05
J. M. DAVIS	20601 83rd Administration II	11-2-05
CINDY OLSON	106 S. Division St Stanford	11-2-05
K. Lenny Schindler	8308 LUSTRE RD MINIER	11-3-05
Janet Simon	3025 Townhall Rd Delavan	11/3/05
Bob Clark	16330 Warden Rd Green Valley	11/3/05
Bill	204 S. MAIN MINIER	11/3/05
Bobby Warner	30258 CENTER Rd ARMINGTON IL	11/03/05
Archie Smith	1088 CALLENTAS, FLORIA	11/3/05
Markus Lesman	104 W Carlisle McLean Il.	11-3-05
Margaret Harmon	408 N. MAIN Minier	11/3/05
Melissa K. Borden	209 S. Lincoln ARMINGTON	11-3-05
Brenn Jones	406 N Western Ave Minier	11-3-05
Cortney Marler	122 N Western Ave Minier	11-3-05
Brenda Donnell	122 N Western Ave Minier	11-3-05
Diane Lindgren	1565 US Hwy 136 Atlanta	11-3-05
Robert Lindgren	30195 Center Rd ARMINGTON	11-3-05
Joseph J. Schaefer	30323 S. Hill Rd, MINIER	11-4-05
Janet M. Boyd	610 N. Maple Minier	11/4/05

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Name	Address	Date Signed
[Signature]	210 S Maple Ave Minier	11/4/05
Sue Cummings	3916 Townhall Rd Hopedale Ill	11-4-05
Daniel Murray	211 5th St. N. Minier	11-4-05
Nancy Lattay	316 W Main St Minier	11-4-05
Michelle Davidson	304 S Maple Minier	11-4-05
Stacy Slagle	403 S. School St. Minier	11-4-05
Bethany Freitag	312 N. Maple, Minier	11-4-05
Natalie Gerard	Minier	11-4-05
Charles Ruyard	211 N Minier Minier	11-4-05
TODD EVANS	502 N MAPLE "	11-5-05
Andrew J. Matten	3 MILLARD CT "	11/5/05
Amy Wessler	601 N. Main	11-5-05
Barb Pappas	408 S School	11/5/05
Angela [Signature]	226 NASH ST.	11/5/05
John R. Wall	3207 OLYMPIA RD MINIER PL	11/5/05
Amy Williams	112 E Park Minier IL	11/5/05
Matt Lane	409 S. WEST ST. McLEAN IL	11/5/05
Casey Mott	304 S. School Ave. Minier IL	11/5/05
Shelly Schneider	604 S Josephine Atlanta, IL	11/5/05
[Signature]	11881 Boston School Rd mackinaw	11/5/05
Reena McKinnis	413 N. MAPLE, MINIER IL 61759	11-5-05
Jane Straul	900 Danell Minier IL 61759	11-6-05
Robert Conroy	217 S Main St Minier, IL 61759	11-6-05
Janie Litzell	316 S Main Minier IL 61759	11-6-05
[Signature]	415 S Main Minier 61759	11-6-05
Michelle Troyer	403 N. EASTERN	11-6-05
Whitney Taylor	403 W. Eastern	11-6-05
Debra Boyd	PO Box 333, Minier IL 61759	11-6-05
Cheryl Collins	312 Kathlene St Apt 1 Stanford IL 61754	11/6/05
Tina Williams	120 S. Main St Apt. 208 Minier IL	11-6-05
Step Hermison	P.O. Box 711 Minier IL	11-6-05
My Strathkuch	Box 473 Minier IL	11-7-05
Jimmy Strathkuch	3016 W Olive Minier IL	11-7-05
Marlynn McShonall	209 W Olive Minier	11-7-05
Annal Wiesel	5113 McLean Rd. Oremington IL	11-7-05
Michelle Patrick	603 Northbrook Minier	11-7-05
Nelsie Butt	202 Danell Dr. P.O. Box 236	11/7/05
George Pison	P.O. Box 234 Minier IL	11-8-05