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400 Medical and Public Health Professionals Oppose FCC Plans for Expanded Wireless Technology

Letter Urges FCC to Update RF Radiation Exposure Guidelines to Protect Americans from Harm

(New York) More than four hundred medical and public health professionals have signed a letter to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) urging the agency to update its human exposure guidelines for radio-frequency (RF) microwave radiation before approving additional wireless technologies. The letter, filed yesterday in a regulatory procedure, highlights the FCC’s failure to consider the established and newly emerging science on RF radiation and its adverse impacts on human health, particularly for vulnerable populations including children and pregnant women.

"Americans are entitled to know the full extent of any potential health risks associated with exposure to RF microwave radiation, particularly at this time when wireless companies are busy installing hundreds of thousands of new wireless antennas in close proximity to homes and apartments," the letter states, noting the Commission's obligation to ensure the "safety of life" for all Americans as set forth in the Communications Act of 1934.

The letter was organized by Americans for Responsible Technology, a national coalition of more than 140 grassroots organizations across 42 states working to educate communities about the health impacts of exposure to RF microwave radiation and opposing further deployment of 5G-enabled wireless antennas in residential areas.

"Science moves slowly, and while this may be inconvenient for the restless purveyors of wireless technologies, it does not excuse the Commission from its obligation to protect public health and safety," the letter states. "Waiting for decades to learn whether or not these exposures increase disease rates in human populations and in the natural world is a dangerous and irresponsible strategy."

The full text of the letter and list of signatories can be found at:

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