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Ms. Laura Mancuso
Director, Cultural Resources
CBRE Telecom Advisory Services
4 West Red Oak Lane
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Re: FCC

NY187 - Mahopac Airport

165 Hill Street, Mahopac, NY 10541

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## Dear Ms. Mancuso:

Thank you continuing to consult with the New York State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). We have reviewed the provided documentation in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966. These comments are those of the SHPO and relate only to Historic/Cultural resources.

We have reviewed the updated Visual Resource Study submitted to address potential visual impacts to the State and National Register eligible Hill-Agor Farm complex. Photo #VP7, looking west toward the historic Hill-Agor Farm and the tower site, indicates that the monopine tower would be clearly visible well above the tree line. This constitutes a significant negative visual effect to the setting of the historic site which includes the Hill-Agor Cemetery.

Based on this review, it is the opinion of the SHPO that the proposed cellular installation would constitute and adverse effect to the historic resource. Through our continued consultation, we request that you develop and evaluate modifications to this project that could avoid, minimize, or mitigate the adverse effect. In order to reduce the negative visual impacts to the historic resource, we recommend the following alternatives be considered:

1. Relocating the tower or diminishing its height so that it is not visible, or is minimally visible, from the historic farmhouse and its surroundings.

Documentation requested in this letter should be provided via our Cultural Resource Information System (CRIS) at <a href="www.nysparks.com/shpo/online-tools/">www.nysparks.com/shpo/online-tools/</a>. Once on the CRIS site, you can log in as a guest and choose "submit" at the very top menu. Next choose "submit new information for an existing project". You will need this project number and your e-mail address.

If you have any questions, I can be reached at (518) 268-2164. Sincerely.

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