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## Radio Frequency Emissions Compliance Report For AT&T Mobility

Site Name: Northeast Merced  
Address: 1717 E. Olive Avenue  
Merced, CA 95340  
Report Date: March 6, 2024

Site Structure Type: Stealth Pole - Extnl Array  
Latitude: 37.319572  
Longitude: -120.450156  
Project: New Build

### Compliance Statement

Based on information provided by AT&T Mobility and predictive modeling, the Northeast Merced installation proposed by AT&T Mobility will be compliant with Radiofrequency Radiation Exposure Limits of 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1307(b)(3) and 1.1310. RF alerting signage at the base of the Stealth Pole - Extnl Array and restricting access to authorized climbers that have completed RF safety training is required for Occupational environment compliance. The proposed operation will not expose members of the General Public to hazardous levels of RF energy at ground level or in adjacent structures.

### Certification

I, David C. Cotton, Jr., am the reviewer and approver of this report and am fully aware of and familiar with the Rules and Regulations of both the Federal Communications Commissions (FCC) and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) with regard to Human Exposure to Radio Frequency Radiation, specifically in accordance with FCC's OET Bulletin 65. I have reviewed this Radio Frequency Exposure Assessment report and believe it to be both true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.



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### General Summary

The compliance framework is derived from the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Rules and Regulations for preventing human exposure in excess of the applicable Maximum Permissible Exposure ("MPE") limits. At any location at this site, the power density resulting from each transmitter may be expressed as a percentage of the frequency-specific limits and added to determine if 100% of the exposure limit has been exceeded. The FCC Rules define two tiers of permissible exposure differentiated by the situation in which the exposure takes place and/or the status of the individuals who are subject to exposure. General Population / Uncontrolled exposure limits apply to those situations in which persons may not be aware of the presence of electromagnetic energy, where exposure is not employment-related, or where persons cannot exercise control over their exposure. Occupational / Controlled exposure limits apply to situations in which persons are exposed as a consequence of their employment, have been made fully aware of the potential for exposure, and can exercise control over their exposure. Based on the criteria for these classifications, the FCC General Population limit is considered to be a level that is safe for continuous exposure time. The FCC General Population limit is 5 times more restrictive than the Occupational limits.

In situations where the predicted MPE exceeds the General Population threshold in an accessible area as a result of emissions from multiple transmitters, FCC licensees that contribute greater than 5% of the aggregate MPE share responsibility for mitigation.

## Northeast Merced - Modification

Table 1: FCC Limits

Frequency (MHz)	<i>Limits for General Population/ Uncontrolled Exposure</i>		<i>Limits for Occupational/ Controlled Exposure</i>	
	Power Density (mW/cm <sup>2</sup> )	Averaging Time (minutes)	Power Density (mW/cm <sup>2</sup> )	Averaging Time (minutes)
30-300	0.2	30	1	6
300-1500	f/1500	30	f/300	6
1500-100,000	1.0	30	5.0	6

f=Frequency (MHz)

Based on the computational guidelines set forth in FCC OET Bulletin 65, Waterford Consultants, LLC has developed software to predict the overall Maximum Permissible Exposure possible at any location given the spatial orientation and operating parameters of multiple RF sources. The power density in the Far Field of an RF source is specified by OET-65 Equation 5 as follows:

$$S = \frac{EIRP}{4 \cdot \pi \cdot R^2} \text{ (mW/cm}^2\text{)}$$

where EIRP is the Effective Radiated Power relative to an isotropic antenna and R is the distance between the antenna and point of study. Additionally, consideration is given to the manufacturers' horizontal and vertical antenna patterns as well as radiation reflection. At any location, the predicted power density in the Far Field is the spatial average of points within a 0 to 6-foot vertical profile that a person would occupy. Near field power density is based on OET-65 Equation 20 stated as

$$S = \left( \frac{180}{\theta_{BW}} \right) \cdot \frac{100 \cdot P_{in}}{\pi \cdot R \cdot h} \text{ (mW/cm}^2\text{)}$$

where  $P_{in}$  is the power input to the antenna,  $\theta_{BW}$  is the horizontal pattern beamwidth and h is the aperture length.

Some antennas employ beamforming technology where RF energy allocated to each customer device is dynamically directed toward their location. This analysis includes a statistical factor reducing the actual power of the antenna system to 32% of maximum theoretical power to account for spatial distribution of users, network utilization, time division duplexing, and scheduling time. AT&T recommends the use of this factor based on a combination of guidance from its antenna system manufacturers, supporting international industry standards, industry publications, and its extensive experience.



## Analysis

AT&T Mobility proposes the following installation at this location:

- INSTALL (12) AT&T Panel Antennas
- INSTALL (12) RRUS Remote Radio Units

The antennas will be mounted on a 55-foot Stealth Pole - Extnl Array with centerlines 50.17, 53, and 55.67 feet above ground level. Proposed antenna operating parameters are listed in Appendix A. Other appurtenances such as GPS antennas, RRUs and hybrid cable below the antennas are not sources of RF emissions. No other antennas are known to be operating in the vicinity of this site.



Figure 1: Antenna Locations

Power density decreases significantly with distance from any antenna. The panel-type antennas to be employed at this site are highly directional by design and the orientation in azimuth and mounting elevation, as documented, serves to reduce the potential to exceed MPE limits at any location other than directly in front of the antennas. For accessible areas at ground level, the maximum predicted power density level resulting from all AT&T Mobility operations is 9.0174% of the FCC General Population limits. Incident at adjacent structures depicted in Figure 1, the maximum predicted power density level resulting from all AT&T Mobility operations is 20.5427% of the FCC General Population limits. The proposed operation will not expose members of the General Public to hazardous levels of RF energy at ground level or in adjacent structures.



Waterford Consultants, LLC recommends posting RF alerting signage with contact information (Caution 2B) at the base of the Stealth Pole - Extnl Array to inform authorized climbers of potential conditions near the antennas. These recommendations are depicted in Figure 2.

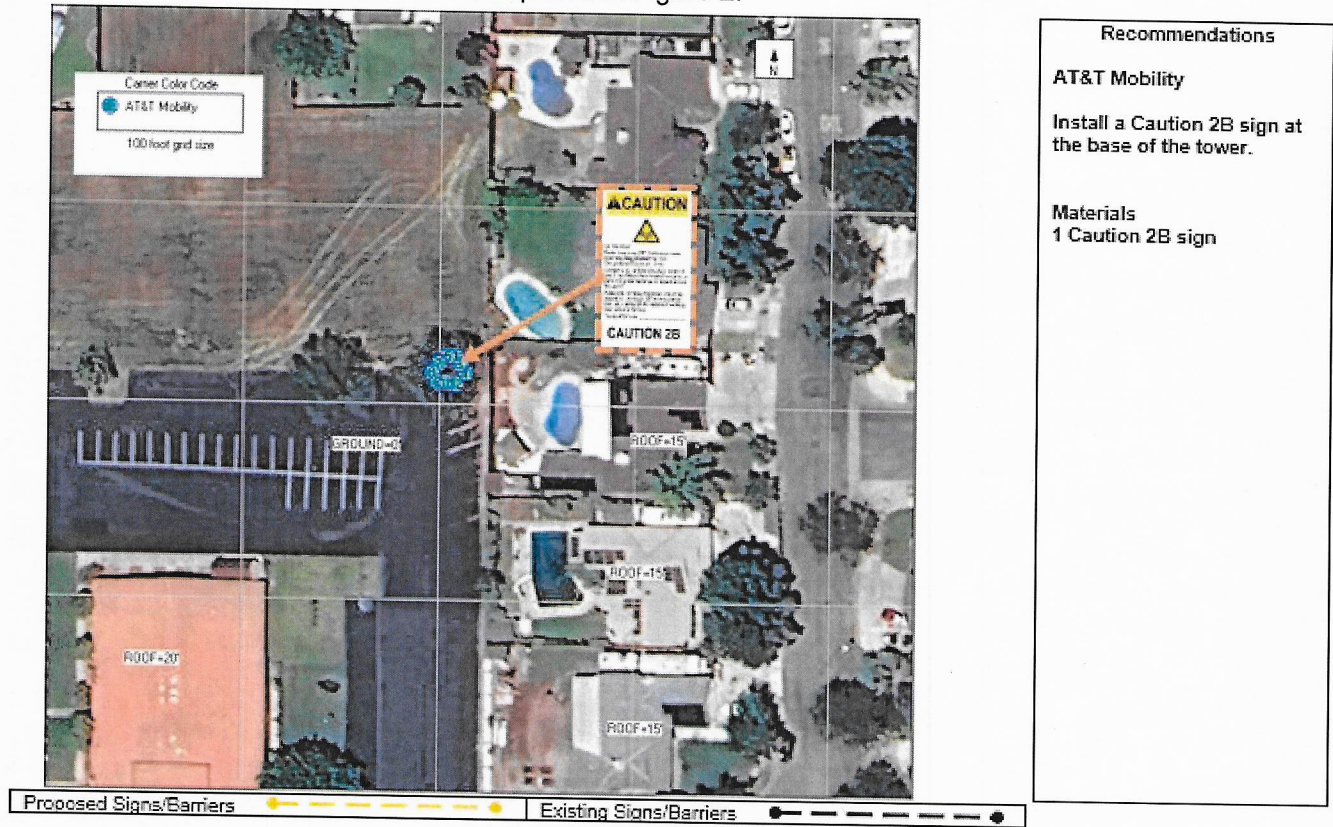


Figure 2: Mitigation Recommendations

## Appendix A: Operating Parameters Considered in this Analysis

Antenna #:	Carrier:	Manufacturer	Pattern:	Band (MHz):	Mech Az (deg):	Mech DT (deg):	H BW (deg):	Length (ft):	TPO (W):	Channels:	Loss (dB):	Gain (dBd):	ERP (W):	ERP (W):	Rad Center (ft):
1	AT&T	CELLMAX	12072x 02DT	700	40	0	66	8	60	4	0	14.55	6842	11226	53
1	AT&T	CELLMAX	12072x 02DT	850	40	0	67	8	60	4	0	15.35	8226	13496	53
1	AT&T	CELLMAX	12072x 02DT	1900	40	0	62	8	30	4	0	18.05	7659	12566	53
1	AT&T	CELLMAX	12072x 02DT	2100	40	0	56	8	60	4	0	18.75	17997	29526	53
2	AT&T	Ericsson	SON_AIR6419 TB 05.17.22 3700 AT&T	3700	40	0	13	2.4	108.4	1	0	23.45	23999	39372	50.17
3	AT&T	Ericsson	SON_AIR6419 TB 05.17.22 3500 AT&T	3500	40	0	13	2.4	54.2	1	0	23.45	11999	19686	55.67
4	AT&T	CELLMAX	12072x 02DT	700	40	0	66	8	40	4	0	14.55	4562	7484	53
4	AT&T	CELLMAX	12072x 02DT	1900	40	0	62	8	30	4	0	18.05	7659	12566	53
5	AT&T	CELLMAX	12072x 02DT	700	280	0	66	8	60	4	0	14.55	6842	11226	53
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