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CONSULTING PARTY: FRIENDS of the Upper East Side Historic Districts, Inc.

COMMENTS: FRIENDS of the Upper East Side Historic Districts believes that the proposed Link5G tower installation at 110 East 88th Street will have an adverse effect on the following historic resources:

- Park Avenue Historic District

The 32-foot tall, chrome Link5G tower will create a “change in the character of the property’s use or setting” and introduce “incompatible visual, atmospheric, or audible elements” to the Park Avenue Historic District. While the tower doesn’t physically damage any historic properties, it irrevocably alters the viewshed of all adjacent historic resources. As the Link5G network will one day consist of over 2,000 of these towers, there will be a significant increase in the cumulative adverse effect of these towers on historic districts and landmark buildings.

The Link5G tower design is out of scale and out of place within the Upper East Side, Metropolitan Museum, Carnegie Hill, and Park Avenue Historic Districts and out of keeping with the special character and aesthetic interest of these areas. There are dozens of more appropriate design solutions for building out 5G connectivity infrastructure that have been successfully employed in other cities. The same goal of broadening access to 5G could easily be achieved through less obtrusive interventions.

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