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General Comment: The construction of communications towers kill birds of 350 species that migrate at night. These structures kill 4-5 million birds per year according to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS).

This constitutes a shameful and needless loss of life when steps that could be taken to minimize the loss are not. This loss violates the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, the Endangered Species Act (ESA), and Bald and Golden Eagle Act.

The FCC must adopt measures to reduce migratory bird collisions with communications towers. In particular, white strobe lights should be made as the preferred method of nighttime illumination. Guy wires should be eliminated, even if this requires a reduction of height. The USFWS? ?Interim Guidelines For Recommendations On Communications Tower Siting, Construction, Operation, and Decommissioning? should be adopted. Those guidelines can be found at <http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/issues/towers/comtow.html>

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General Comment:RE: FCC-2006-0330-0001

Effect of Communications Towers on Migratory Birds

WT Docket No. 03-187, FCC 06-164

Construction of communications towers has grown at a rate of about eight percent annually. These towers pose a threat to more than 300 species of birds that migrate at night. As estimated 4-5 million migratory birds are killed by such towers each year. This information is according to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), dated September 14, 2000.

This take of birds violates the spirit of Migratory Bird Treaty Act, and includes species protected under the Endangered Species Act (ESA) and Bald and Golden Eagle Act.

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There are many factors endangering migratory birds, and in some species, numbers are being reduced annually. Any steps the FCC can take to prevent any further destruction of our wildlife will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for taking the time to listen to my comments.

----- Bill Guion -----

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General Comment: I'm one of a great many who care deeply about the welfare of migratory birds. There is ample evidence that communications kill more than a million birds each year. Some individual towers kill thousands every year. It is essential that we implement measures to protect these species, some of which are increasingly endangered.

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General Comment:Millions of birds are killed at communications towers every year. We need to stop this before our native species decline beyond repair. We now know that flashing lights do not induce bird aggregation at towers but many towers are still being built with permanent lighting. It has taken 8 years to get the FCC to consider changing their rules that still foster an antiquated, bird-killing, aviation obstruction lighting scheme. Please follow through with smart science and stop kiling birds. Thank you. Rob Anderson

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