



**This statement should be attributed to Rhonda Bekkedahl, CEO, Channing House  
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Some Channing House residents and their family members are asking that we have T-Mobile remove its roof phone cell antennas on our building because of concerns about safe levels of exposure to radio frequency energy (RF).

First and foremost, there is nothing more important to us than the safety and well-being of everyone living and working at Channing House. The Board of Trustees and I take our responsibilities regarding the safety of residents and staff very seriously.

Because of our residents' concerns, we hired third-party engineering experts – Hammett & Edison – to take readings on the roof and throughout our building. The firm is a recognized leader for engineering services to the wireless telecommunications and broadcasting industries and they have particular expertise in RF safety and regulatory compliance. Their report concluded that emissions from the tower are hundreds to thousands of times below the FCC standard no matter where you are in our building.

T-Mobile leases roof space from us and installed the phone equipment there 13 years ago. The lease with T-Mobile became effective in 2007. Channing House makes a small income from the lease arrangement. The contract does not expire until March 2032, and contract language stipulates that we have no opportunity for early termination. Only T-Mobile has the option to terminate the contract.

We intend to bring Hammett & Edison back to take readings each year as coronavirus restrictions allow in Santa Clara County. We will report those findings to our residents and also with new and prospective residents and their families.

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