NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
FOR THE MODIFICATION OF CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT #1014 AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION

A public hearing will be held by the Merced City Planning Commission on Wednesday, January 22, 2014, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as may be heard in the City Council Chambers located at 678 W. 18th Street, Merced, CA, concerning the modification of Conditional Use Permit #1014, initiated by SBA Communications, applicant for Gary S. Smith and James M. Hagerman, property owners. This application involves a request to modify Conditional Use Permit #1014 to allow an increase in the height of the existing "Flagpole" stealth cell tower from 95 feet to 119 feet tall and increase the width of the top of the pole to hide the antennas at 1125 West 14th Street, generally located approximately 100 feet west of the northwest corner of R Street and West 14th Street within a General Commercial (C-G) zone; said property being more particularly described as a 1.3-acre portion of Lot 1 as shown on the map entitled "City of Merced" recorded in Volume 2, Page 59 of Merced County Records; also known as Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 031-201-003.

An environmental review checklist has been filed for this project, and a Categorical Exemption from further environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act has been issued. A copy of this exemption is available for public inspection at the City of Merced Planning Department during regular business hours, at 678 West 18th Street, Merced, California. A copy of this document can also be purchased at the Planning Department for the price of reproduction.

All persons in favor of, opposed to, or in any manner interested in this request for a Conditional Use Permit are invited to attend this public hearing or forward written comments to the Director of Development Services, City of Merced, 678 West 18th Street, Merced, CA 95340. The public review period for the environmental determination begins on January 2, 2014, and ends on January 22, 2014. Please feel free to call the Planning Department at (209) 385-6858 for additional information. If you challenge the decision of the Planning Commission in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Merced at, or prior to, the public hearing.

/s/ Kim Espinosa

Dec. 17, 2013

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