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PETITION NO. 61 Westbrook, Connecticut March 31, 1982

Commissioner Boucher, Dr. Horsfall, and Duncan Reid made a final field inspection of the new telecommunication tower at the State Police Barracks in Westbrook.

This petition involved replacing an existing 60 foot monotube tele-communication tower with a 180 foot self-supporting lattice tower. Valley Shore Emergency Communications, Inc. is the owner-operator and shares the facility with the Department of Transportation and the Department of Public Safety. The tower supports three microwave "dish" antennas and four "stick" antennas. There is no equipment shelter; associated equipment is housed in the nearby State Police Garage. The facility is used for State Police communications, motorist aid call box communications, and local emergency communications.

The monotube tower has been dismantled and removed from the site. The new tower extends approximately 100 feet above the treeline and is visible from selected locations on nearby Route 166 and from several locations on I-95. Otherwise, it appears to be screened by trees and ridges. No significant adverse environmental impacts resulted from construction.

Final approval is recommended.

Duncan C. Reid Environmentalist 4/1/82