

Meeting Minutes
Meeting of November 5, 2009

A meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, November 5, 2009, in Room 3130000 (3rd floor), at Central Connecticut State University, Institute of Technology and Business Development, 185 Main Street, New Britain, Connecticut. The meeting was called to order with a quorum present by Daniel F. Caruso at 2:01 p.m.

Council Members Present:

Judge Daniel F. Caruso
Chairman
Colin C. Tait
Vice Chairman
Brian Golembiewski
(designee for Commissioner Marrella)

Edward S. Wilensky
Barbara Currier Bell
Daniel P. Lynch, Jr.
Philip T. Ashton
Wayne Estey
(designee for Commissioner DeGobbo)

Council Members Absent

James J. Murphy, Jr.

Staff Members Present:

S. Derek Phelps
Executive Director
Fred Cunliffe
Siting Analyst Supervisor
Melanie Bachman
Staff Attorney

Christina Walsh
Siting Analyst
Robert Mercier
Siting Analyst
David Martin
Siting Analyst
Michael Perrone
Siting Analyst

Recording Secretary:

Carriann Mulcahy

Minutes of October 22, 2009.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the minutes of October 22, 2009, seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed unanimously.

DOCKET NO. 384 - Phoenix Partnership, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 50 Devine Street, North Haven, Connecticut. Motion for Protective Order.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the Motion for Protective Order, seconded by Mr. Estey. The motion passed with Dr. Bell voting no.

DOCKET NO. 385 - T-Mobile Northeast LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 23 Stonybrook Road, Stratford, Connecticut. Motion for Protective Order.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the Motion for Protective Order, seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed with Dr. Bell voting no.

DOCKET NO. 386 - T-Mobile Northeast, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 123 Pine Orchard Road, Branford, Connecticut. Motion for Protective Order.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the Motion for Protective Order, seconded by Mr. Wilensky. The motion passed with Dr. Bell voting no.

DOCKET NO. 387 - SBA Towers II, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 44 Gavitt Road, Barkhamsted, Connecticut. Request for Party/Intervenor Status.

Mr. Ashton moved to grant intervenor status for New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC, seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

DOCKET NO. 388 - New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (AT&T) application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 1990 Litchfield Turnpike, Woodbridge, Connecticut. Schedule.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the schedule for a public field review and hearing in Woodbridge on Tuesday, January 12, 2010; seconded Dr. Bell. The motion passed unanimously.

PETITION NO. 907 – Montville Power LLC petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the retrofit and operation of a 40 MW Biomass-Fueled Generation Unit at the Montville Station in Uncasville, Connecticut. Status Update.

Mr. Phelps updated the Council on the status of this petition. The Petitioner anticipates completing the wood hopper relocation study by November 30, 2009, and will report back to the Council with the results. This item remains on the table.

PETITION NO. 919 - MetroPCS Massachusetts, LLC petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required to co-locate on a Council-approved Connecticut Light and Power Company transmission structure associated with the Waterford substation located on Oil Mill Road, Waterford, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Wilensky moved to approve this petition, seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

TS-METROPCS-097-091015 - MetroPCS New York, LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 25 Meridian Ridge Drive (a/k/a 6 Fairfield Dr.), Newtown, Connecticut.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve this tower sharing request with the following conditions:

- The coax shall be installed per page 1 of the structural analysis report dated October 2, 2009 and sealed by William E. Garrett, P.E.; and
- Not more than 45 days after completion of construction, the Council shall be notified in writing that the coax was installed as specified.

Mr. Estey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

EM-AMTOWER-064-091016 – American Tower Corporation notice of intent to modify an existing telecommunications facility located at 99 Meadow Street, Hartford, Connecticut.

Mr. Golembiewski moved to acknowledge this regulatory exemption, seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

Administrative Matters.

Mr. Phelps announced that the next energy/telecommunications meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 19, 2009, at 2:00 p.m. Other calendar dates were also discussed.

Mr. Phelps informed the Council that the tour of the Kleen Energy facility will be on November 12, 2009, at 11 a.m. More details were to come.

Adjournment.

Mr. Ashton moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:30 p.m.; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel F. Caruso
Chairman

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