

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Meeting of April 28, 2011**

A meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, April 28, 2011, in Hearing Room One, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut. The meeting was called to order with a quorum present by Robert Stein at 2:03 p.m.

**Council Members Present:**

Robert Stein  
Chairman  
Kenneth Braffman (For PE 973)  
(designee for Commissioner DelGobbo)  
Edward S. Wilensky  
Daniel P. Lynch, Jr.  
James J. Murphy, Jr.

Brian Golembiewski  
(designee for Commissioner Esty)  
Larry Levesque  
(designee for Commissioner DelGobbo)  
Barbara Currier Bell  
Philip T. Ashton

**Council Members Absent:**

Colin Tait  
Vice Chairman

**Staff Members Present:**

Linda Roberts  
Executive Director  
Melanie Bachman  
Staff Attorney  
Christina Walsh  
Siting Analyst Supervisor

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

**Recording Secretary:**

Carriann Mulcahy

**Minutes of April 14, 2011.**

Dr. Bell moved to approve the minutes of April 14, 2011, seconded by Mr. Ashton. The motion passed unanimously.

**Minutes of April 18, 2011.**

Mr. Murphy moved to approve the minutes of April 18, 2011, seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed unanimously.

**DOCKET NO. 370 - The Connecticut Light & Power Company Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Connecticut portion of the Greater Springfield Reliability Project that traverses the municipalities of Bloomfield, East Granby, and Suffield, terminating at the North Bloomfield Substation. Invasive Species Monitoring Plan. Request to Reopen.**

Mr. Ashton moved to deny the request to reopen because the petitioner has not shown changed conditions according to Connecticut General Statutes 4-181a(b), seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed with Chairman Stein and Mr. Lynch abstaining.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the Invasive Species Monitoring Plan for Docket 370 and Docket 370A-MR with the condition that errata pages correcting any errors on the plan and within the associated 2011 right-of-way technical requirements are submitted to the Council. The motion was seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed with Chairman Stein and Mr. Lynch abstaining.

**DOCKET 370A-MR - The Connecticut Light & Power Company Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Manchester Substation to Meekville Junction Circuit Separation Project in Manchester, Connecticut. Invasive Species Monitoring Plan.**

Same as Docket 370.

**DOCKET NO. 396 - SBA Towers II, LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and management of a telecommunications facility located at 49 Brainerd Road, Niantic (East Lyme), Connecticut. Development and Management Plan.**

Mr. Murphy moved to approve the Development and Management Plan with the condition that T-Mobile file a tower share application for Council review and approval prior to its co-location on the tower. The motion was seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed with Mr. Levesque and Chairman Stein abstaining.

**DOCKET NO. 411 - New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and management of a telecommunications facility located at 1363 Boston Post Road, Old Saybrook, Connecticut. Drafting Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order.**

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order, seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed with Mr. Levesque and Chairman Stein abstaining.

Chairman Stein requested a written vote on the record with Mr. Lynch, Mr. Ashton, Mr. Wilensky, Dr. Bell, Mr. Murphy, and Mr. Golembiewski, in favor of granting of Certificate for the proposed telecommunications facility and with Mr. Levesque and Chairman Stein abstaining.

**PETITION NO. 377A - Bridgeport Energy, LLC petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the approval modification in Petition No. 377 for the existing Bridgeport Harbor Station 520 MW combined cycle gas turbine generating facility, in Bridgeport, Connecticut. Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order.**

Mr. Golembiewski moved to approve the Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order, seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed with Chairman Stein abstaining.

Chairman Stein requested a written vote on the record with Mr. Ashton, Mr. Wilensky, Dr. Bell, Mr. Murphy, and Mr. Golembiewski, in favor of declaratory ruling for the proposed modifications; with Chairman Stein abstaining and Mr. Lynch voting no.

**PETITION NO. 947A - Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P. petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed modifications to an Odorant System to the Iroquois pipeline located at 840 Oronoque Road, Milford, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Ashton moved to approve this petition, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed with Chairman Stein and Dr. Bell abstaining.

**PETITION NO. 973 - North Atlantic Towers, LLC and New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required to replace and expand an existing structure located at 880 Andrew Mountain Road, Naugatuck, Connecticut. Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order.**

Mr. Braffman moved to approve the Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order, seconded by Mr. Golembiewski. The motion passed with Chairman Stein abstaining.

Chairman Stein requested a written vote on the record with Mr. Lynch, Mr. Ashton, Mr. Wilensky, Dr. Bell, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Braffman, and Mr. Golembiewski, in favor of granting of Declaratory Ruling for the proposed telecommunications facility and with Chairman Stein abstaining.

**PETITION NO. 989 - UTC Power Corporation petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the installation of a 400 kW Fuel Cell to be located at 350 Grasmere Avenue, Fairfield, Connecticut. Decision.**

Dr. Bell moved to approve the petition, seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed with Chairman Stein abstaining.

**TS-CING-143-110407 – New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC Request for Approval of the Shared Use of an Existing tower at 855 University Drive, Torrington, Connecticut.**

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

- The tower be modified in accordance with recommendations made in the Structural Analysis Report prepared by All-Points Technology Corporation dated January 12, 2011 and stamped by Robert Adair; and
- Prior to antenna installation, a signed letter from a Professional Engineer duly licensed in the State of Connecticut shall be submitted to the Council to certify that the recommended reinforcements have been completed and the tower and foundation will not exceed 100 percent of the post-construction structural rating.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed with Chairman Stein abstaining.

**TS-CING-076-110407 – New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC Request for Approval of the Shared Use of an Existing tower at 17 Cottage Road, Madison, Connecticut.**

Mr. Ashton moved to approve this tower sharing request, seconded by Mr. Wilensky. The motion passed with Chairman Stein abstaining.

**Administrative Matters.**

Chairman Stein announced that the next energy/telecommunications meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 2, 2011 (PE 980). Other calendar dates are as follows:

- Thursday, May 5, 2011, Beginning at **11:00 a.m.** – **evidentiary hearing** (PE 984 BNE Energy, Inc.), Hearing Room One, in New Britain.
- Monday, May 9, 2011, Beginning at **1:00 p.m.** – **evidentiary hearing** (DO414 Verizon/Greenwich), Hearing Room One, in New Britain.
- Thursday, May 12, 2011, Beginning at **2:00 p.m.** – **Energy/telecommunications Meeting**, Hearing Room One, in New Britain.
- Monday, May 16, 2011, Beginning at **1:00 p.m.** – **evidentiary hearing** (DO408 AT&T/Hartland), Hearing Room One, in New Britain.
- Thursday, May 19, 2011, Beginning at **2:00 p.m.** – **Energy/telecommunications Meeting** (PE 983) Hearing Room One, in New Britain.
- Tuesday, May 24, 2011, Beginning at **2:00 p.m.** – **Energy/telecommunications Meeting**, Hearing Room One, in New Britain.
- Thursday, May 26, 2011, Beginning at **2:00 p.m.** - **field review/7:00 p.m.** - **public session** (DO 415 Verizon) at the Woodstock Town Hall, Room #1, 415 Route 169, Woodstock.

**Adjournment.**

Mr. Murphy moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:52 p.m.; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Robert Stein**  
**Chairman**

RS/cm