

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Meeting of November 3, 2011**

A meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, November 3, 2011, in Hearing Room One, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut. The meeting was called to order with a quorum present by Robin Stein at 1:09 p.m.

**Council Members Present:**

Robert Stein  
Chairman  
Colin Tait  
Vice Chairman  
Edward S. Wilensky.

Philip T. Ashton  
James J. Murphy, Jr.  
Barbara Currier Bell  
Brian Golembiewski  
(designee for Commissioner Esty)

**Council Members Absent:**

Larry Levesque  
(designee for Chairman DeGobbo)

Daniel P. Lynch, Jr.

**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 October 20, 2011.**

Mr. Wilensky moved to approve the minutes of October 20, 2011, seconded by Mr. Ashton. The motion passed unanimously.

**DOCKET NO. 189 - U.S. Generating Company Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for an electric generating facility located off of Lake Road in Killingly, Connecticut. Motion to Reopen.**

Mr. Ashton moved to reopen the proceeding on changed conditions under C.G.S. section 4-181a(b), and hold a hearing specifically limited to suspension of the backup fuel system on Unit 1 at Lake Road on Tuesday, November 22, 2011. The motion was seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

**DOCKET NO. 316A - SBA Infrastructure LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility at 50 Fairchild Road in Middletown, Connecticut. Tower Extension Plan.**

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the Tower Extension Plan with the following conditions:

- The proposed reinforcements outlined in sheets S-2, S-4, S-5, and S-6 of the "Modification & 10' Extension Drawings for a 120' Monopole" prepared by FDH Engineering dated September 21, 2011 and stamped by Christopher Murphy, P.E. be implemented as shown; 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 Dr. Bell. The motion passed unanimously.

**DOCKET NO. 415 - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 87 West Quasset Road, Woodstock, Connecticut. Draft Findings of Fact.**

Mr. Murphy moved to remove this item from the table, seconded by Mr. Ashton. The motion passed unanimously.

After reviewing the Draft Findings of Fact, Chairman Stein conducted a non-binding straw poll of the Council members with Mr. Ashton, Mr. Wilensky, Mr. Golembiewski, Dr. Bell, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Tait, and Chairman Stein in favor of the proposed facility.

Chairman Stein directed staff to draft a favorable Opinion and Decision and Order to be reviewed at the next meeting.

**DOCKET NO. 416 - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located off Day Hill Road, Bloomfield, Connecticut. Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order.**

Mr. Murphy moved to approve the Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order, seconded by Mr. Ashton. The motion passed unanimously.

**DOCKET NO. 421 - 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 158 Edison Road, Trumbull, Connecticut. Applicant's Request for Postponement.**

Mr. Murphy moved to approve the request for postponement and set December 6, 2011, as the new hearing date, seconded by Mr. Ashton. The motion passed unanimously.

**PETITION NO. 983 - BNE Energy, Inc. declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a 4.8 MW Wind Renewable Generating facility located on Flagg Hill Road, Colebrook, Connecticut. Development and Management Plan.**

Mr. Wilensky moved to approve the Development and Management plan, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion failed.

Mr. Murphy moved to table this item to the next meeting, seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed with Mr. Tait and Mr. Ashton abstaining.

**PETITION NO. 1008 - 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 located at UCONN Center for Clean Energy Engineering, 44 Weaver Road, Storrs, Connecticut. Decision.**

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

**PETITION NO. 1009 - The Connecticut Light and Power Company petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed installation of a 85-foot steel pole and associated radio communications equipment located at Rapids Road, Stamford, Connecticut. Set Date for Decision.**

Mr. Ashton moved to set December 1, 2011, as the date by which the Council shall make a decision on this petition, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

**PETITION NO. 1011 - MetroPCS New York, LLC petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the attachment of antennas to an existing CL&P structure located at 750 Chapel Road, Stratford, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Murphy moved to table this item, seconded by Mr. Tait. The motion passed unanimously.

**TS-CING-018-111011 - New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located Carmen Hill Road, Brookfield, Connecticut.**

Mr. Murphy moved to table this item, seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed unanimously.

**Administrative Matters.**

Chairman Stein announced that the next energy/telecommunications meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 17, 2011.

Other calendar dates are as follows:

- Tuesday, November 15, 2011, beginning at **2:00 p.m./6:30 p.m.**, public hearing for the Life-Cycle, in Hearing Room One, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain
- Thursday, November 17, 2011, beginning at **1:00 p.m.**, energy/telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room One, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain
- Tuesday, November 22, 2011, beginning at **1:00 p.m.**, public hearing for the reopening of Docket No. 189A, in Hearing Room One, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain
- Thursday, November 29, 2011, beginning at **1:00 p.m.(field review)/3:00 p.m./7:00 p.m.**, public hearing for Docket No. 407, at the Black Stone Library, 758 Main Street, Branford, Connecticut.

**Adjournment.**

Mr. Ashton moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Stein adjourned the meeting at 2:14 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Robin Stein**  
**Chairman**

RS/cm