

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Meeting of January 19, 2012**

A meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, January 19, 2012, in Hearing Room One, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut. The meeting was called to order with a quorum present by Robin Stein at 1:14 p.m.

**Council Members Present:**

Robert Stein  
Chairman  
Colin Tait  
Vice Chairman  
Daniel P. Lynch, Jr.  
Edward S. Wilensky  
James J. Murphy, Jr

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

**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 January 5, 2012.**

Mr. Murphy moved to approve the minutes of January 5, 2012, seconded by Mr. Ashton. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Levesque joined the meeting at 1:16 p.m.

**DOCKET NO. 189A – Lake Road Generating Company Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for an electric generating facility located off of Lake Road in Killingly, Connecticut. Reopening of this docket pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 4-181a(b) to Modify the Decision and Order in Docket 189 to Allow Lake Road Generating Company to Suspend its Backup Fuel System Based on Changed Conditions. Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion, Decision & Order.**

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

**DOCKET NO. 391 - T-Mobile Northeast, LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located 232 Shore Road, Old Lyme, Connecticut. Request for an Extension of Time.**

Mr. Tait moved to grant an extension of time until October 22, 2012, to complete construction, seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed unanimously.

**DOCKET NO. 392 - T-Mobile Northeast, LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located 387 Shore Road, Old Lyme, Connecticut. Request for an Extension of Time.**

Mr. Ashton moved to grant an extension of time until October 25, 2012, to complete construction, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

**DOCKET NO. 393 - T-Mobile Northeast, LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located 61-1 Buttonball Road, Old Lyme, Connecticut. Request for an Extension of Time.**

Mr. Wilensky moved to grant an extension of time until October 22, 2012, to complete construction, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

**DOCKET NO. 397 - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility at 445 Prospect Street, Woodstock, Connecticut. Request for an Extension of Time.**

Mr. Ashton moved to grant an extension of time until September 1, 2013, to complete construction, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

**DOCKET NO. 399 - T-Mobile Northeast, LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located 166 Pawcatuck Avenue, Stonington, Connecticut. Request for an Extension of Time.**

Mr. Ashton moved to grant an extension of time until September 1, 2012, to complete construction, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

**DOCKET NO. 401 - 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 208 Valley Road, New Canaan, Connecticut. Draft Findings of Fact.**

Chairman Stein stated for the record that he visited the site and reviewed the transcripts.

After reviewing the Draft Findings of Fact, Chairman Stein conducted a non-binding straw poll of the Council members with Mr. Ashton, Mr. Levesque, Mr. Wilensky, Dr. Bell, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Lynch, Mr. Golembiewski, 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. 402 - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 16 Bell Road Extension, Cornwall, Connecticut. Request for an Extension of Time.**

Mr. Ashton moved to grant an extension of time until October 25, 2013, to complete construction, seconded by Mr. Wilensky. The motion passed unanimously.

**DOCKET NO. 420 - SBA Towers III and 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 at one of three sites located at 49 Mountain Avenue; 23/25 Northwest Corner Road; or 350B Cossaduck Hill Road, North Stonington, Connecticut. Draft Findings of Fact.**

Mr. Lynch stated for the record that he would have to read the transcript of the second hearing to be able to vote.

After reviewing the Draft Findings of Fact, Chairman Stein conducted a non-binding straw poll of the Council members with Mr. Ashton, Mr. Levesque, Mr. Wilensky, Dr. Bell, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Lynch, Mr. Golembiewski, Mr. Tait, and Chairman Stein in favor of granting a certificate for site C.

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

**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. Request for a Continuance.**

Mr. Ashton moved to deny Citizens Against Trumbull Tower's request for a continuance, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

**PETITION NO. 1020 - MetroPCS Massachusetts, LLC petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the extension of an existing telecommunications facility located at 12 Burr Road, Bloomfield, Connecticut. Decision.**

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

Mr. Levesque moved to approve this petition, seconded by Mr. Ashton. The motion passed unanimously.

**Administrative Matters.**

Chairman Stein announced that the next energy/telecommunications meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 2, 2012.

Other calendar dates are as follows:

- ❖ Tuesday, February 7, 2012, beginning at **1:00 p.m.**, continued hearing for Docket No. 421 (T-Mobile/Trumbull), in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain
- ❖ Thursday, February 9, 2012, field review beginning at **2:00 p.m./3:00 p.m./7:00 p.m.**, field review and public hearing for Petition No. 1010 (Cingular), at the Greenwich Town Hall, Cone Conference Room, 101 Field Point Road, Greenwich, Connecticut
- ❖ Thursday, February 16, 2012, beginning at **1:00 p.m.**, energy/telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain

◦ **Revisions of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies**

Mr. Lynch moved to submit the proposed amended regulation to the Attorney General's office for review, seconded by Mr. Wilensky. The motion passed unanimously.

◦ **Two Storm Panel Recommendations.**

Chariman Stein stated that issues in regards to the Two Storm Panel Recommendations will be determined at a future meeting, tentatively March 2, 2012.

**Adjournment.**

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

Chairman Stein adjourned the meeting at 2:43 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Robin Stein**  
**Chairman**

RS/cm