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#### VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

July 1, 2021

TO: Service List, dated June 25, 2021

FROM: Melanie A. Bachman

Executive Director

RE: **DOCKET NO. 502** - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless application for a

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Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 118 Newton

Road, Woodbridge, Connecticut.

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of correspondence from Senator Richard Blumenthal dated June 21, 2021 concerning the above-referenced application.

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §16-50*l*(b), a copy of the application is to be submitted to Senator Blumenthal for review. In the event that Senator Blumenthal does not avail himself of the opportunity to attain party or intervenor status under Connecticut General Statutes §16-50n, this correspondence shall become part of the record in this proceeding in the form of a limited appearance.

Therefore, copies of Senator Blumenthal's correspondence is being distributed to all participants in this proceeding and will also be administratively noticed in the record.

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The Honorable Richard Blumenthal United States Senator 90 State House Street, Tenth Floor Hartford, CT 06103

RE: **DOCKET NO. 502** - 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 118 Newton Road, Woodbridge, Connecticut.

Dear Senator Blumenthal:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of your correspondence dated June 21, 2021 concerning the above-referenced application. Thank you for taking the time to provide the Council with your comments.

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes  $\S16-50l(b)$ , a copy of each application is to be submitted to each member of the legislature in whose assembly or senate district the facility is to be located for review. Before reaching a final decision on an application, the Council carefully considers all of the facts contained in the evidentiary record that is developed by the Council, the applicant, parties and intervenors in the proceeding, and all of the concerns received from members of the public who speak at the public hearing or submit written statements to the Council.

In the event that you do not seek formal party or intervenor status under Connecticut General Statutes §16-50n, which provides full participation at the public hearing, including, but not limited to, cross examination of witnesses, parties and intervenors, your comments shall nevertheless become part of the official record in this proceeding in the form of a limited appearance defined under subsection (f) of Connecticut General Statutes §16-50n.

Therefore, copies of your correspondence will be distributed to all participants in the proceeding and will be administratively noticed in the record. Please note that you can view all of the documents related to this proceeding on our website at <a href="mailto:portal.ct.gov/csc">portal.ct.gov/csc</a> under the "Pending Matters" link. You may also keep apprised of Council events on the website calendar and agenda.

Thank you for your interest and concern in this matter.

Sincerely,

s/Melanie A. Bachman

Melanie A. Bachman Executive Director



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RE: Application of Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Construction, Maintenance and Operation of a Wireless Telecommunications Facility at 118 Newtown Road, Woodbridge, Connecticut

Dear Executive Director Bachman:

I am writing to urge the Connecticut Siting Council address the concerns raised by town of Woodbridge residents regarding the placement of a cell tower in their community pursuant to the above-referenced application.

The Town of Woodbridge and many of its residents believe the cell tower does not belong in a residential area. I am aware that the town has expressed a willingness to identify alternative sites that would avoid placement of the cell tower within an area of homes. It would be in the best interests of the community if the placement of the cell tower could avoid direct impact on residential areas, as has been done in other municipalities.

The Siting Council should strongly recommend that the parties reach such an accommodation.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Very truly yours,

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Richard Blumenthal United States Senator