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Good Afternoon:

I wanted to give everyone an update of the recent discussions between Mayor Stewart's office and 48 Allen Street (Bethalom Cemetery Association, Inc.) and 148 Farmington Avenue (CL&P/Eversource). The representative for 48 Allen Street is Attorney Seth Feigenbaum who is copied on this e-mail. His cell is (860) 508-1737. 48 Allen Street was included in your Site Search Summary but the site was not considered since the property owner did not respond to one certified letter. Attorney Feigenbaum has told Chief of Staff Dorsey that the cemetery is extremely interested in discussing 48 Allen Street as an alternative site for the cell tower. The City of New Britain would have no objection if either of the two sites were selected instead of the proposed site at 43 Osgood Avenue.

The attached site search map ring which is also attached as an exhibit to your Site Search Summary shows both of these properties to be located in approximately the middle of the ring and the attached Existing Coverage Map shows that both properties are located in the brown coverage key as opposed to 43 Osgood Avenue which is within the green coverage key.

The City of New Britain is requesting that ARX and AT&T strongly consider these alternative sites. As of right now, we are further along in the discussions with the representative of 48 Allen Street than with Eversource (148 Farmington Avenue).

We are hoping there is interest in your clients pursuing one of these alternative sites and stand ready to assist you in this undertaking. Please let me know if you would like to discuss this in more detail.

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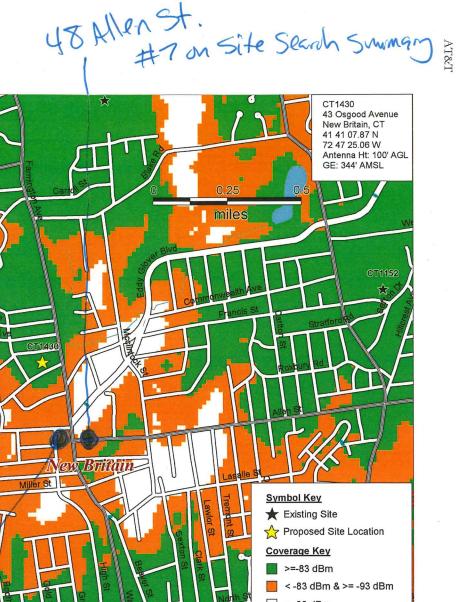
Attached is the existing coverage map showing in blue pen where 48 Allen Street and 148 Farmington Ave are located. Both locations are better because they are well within an area lower coverage. 43 Osgood is actually within an area of good coverage.

Also attached is the map showing the site search ring attached to the Site Search Summary.

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linton St < -93 dBm **Existing Coverage** 43 Osgood Avenue at&t CT1430 PREPARED ON 700 MHz LTE New Britain, CT DATE: 10/22/2020

148 Farmington Ave.

Attachment 3: CT1430 Existing 700 MHz LTE Coverage for the Current AT&T Network

Arx Wireless Infrastructure LLC 43 Osgood Avenue New Britain, CT 06111

Site Search Summary

Section 16-50j-74(j) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies requires the submission of a statement that describes "the narrowing process by which other possible sites were considered and eliminated." In accordance with this requirement, descriptions of the general site search process, the identification of the applicable search area, and the alternative locations considered for the development of the proposed telecommunications facility in New Britain are provided below by the Applicant, Arx Wireless Infrastructure, LLC ("ARX").

Site Search Process

As a tower infrastructure provider, ARX is in direct consultation with individual carriers and uses its overall knowledge and understanding of existing wireless carrier networks to identify geographical areas where wireless service is unreliable. ARX only pursues a site search for a new tower when it is clear that a new tower facility will be required and all other options have been evaluated and/or exhausted. When conducting a site search, ARX's radio frequency engineers, in consultation with the appropriate wireless carrier radio frequency engineers, identify search areas central to the necessary geographical coverage area. In this case, AT&T identified a need for wireless coverage in this area of New Britain and has agreed to support an application by ARX to construct a new facility in this location to provide the coverage required.

ARX is sensitive to State and local desires to minimize the construction of new towers, and it does not pursue the development of a new facility where an acceptable existing structure can be found. In general, ARX's site acquisition personnel study the area in and near the search area to determine whether any suitable structure exists. If ARX cannot find a structure with appropriate height and structural capabilities, it turns to industrial and commercial areas or individual parcels that have appropriate environmental and land use characteristics. The list of potential locations is limited by the willingness of property owners to make their properties available for a telecommunications facility. Radio frequency engineers study potentially suitable and available locations to determine whether those locations will meet the technical requirements for a telecommunications facility. The list of possible alternative sites may be further narrowed by ARX's analysis of potential environmental effects and benefits. The weight given to relevant factors varies for each search, depending on the nature of the area and the availability of potential sites.

A site search ring is selected in an area where wireless service problems have been identified. In any search ring or search area, ARX seeks to avoid the unnecessary proliferation of towers and to reduce the potential adverse environmental effects of the

