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December 8, 2021

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RE: **DOCKET NO. 503** - Arx Wireless Infrastructure, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 43 Osgood Avenue, New Britain, Connecticut.

Dear Attorney Bachman:

Attached please find 15 copies of City of New Britain's Written Comments to Draft Findings of Fact, Dated December 8, 2021 with regard to the above-referenced matter.

Please contact our office if there are any questions.

Thank you,

Office of Corporation Counsel

Joseph E. Skelly, Jr.

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JES/tm **Enclosure**

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STATE OF CONNECTICUT CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

IN RE:

DOCKET NO. 503

ARX WIRELESS INFRASTRUCTURE, LLC

APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY AND PUBLIC NEED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION.

MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF A

TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITY

LOCATED AT 43 OSGOOD AVENUE

NEW BRITAIN, CONNECTICUT : December 08, 2021

<u>CITY OF NEW BRITAIN'S</u> WRITTEN COMMENTS TO DRAFT FINDINGS OF FACT

The Intervenor, City of New Britain proposes that Draft Findings of Fact No. 173 be revised as follows:

173. Generally, the tower would be visible from the residences immediately to the north. Views of the tower are also expected from the residences located across Beach Street. While some residences would have obstructed views due to a slight existing treeline, the tower would be visible from the majority of the abutters. Such visibility would be a mix of year-round views from those residences closest to the facility and directly across Beach Street and seasonal views for those farther away on Beach Street and subject to the intervening trees.

(Tr. 1, pp. 28-29;Tr. 3, p. 9)

In addition, the proposed tower is in the middle of a highly concentrated urban population and is in close proximity and immediately adjacent to the residences located on 40, 46, 52, 58 and 64 Richmond Avenue. Comments of John Morrissette, Member and Presiding Officer at the December 2, 2021 meeting.

OFFICE OF CORPORATION COUNSEI CITY OF NEW BRITAIN 27 WEST MAIN STREET NEW BRITAIN, CT 06051 (860) 826-3420 FAX (860) 826-34397 JURIS NO. 42709 The residents to the north of the facility and the residents on Beach Street who are closest will have year round views of the cell tower. September 2, 2021 hearing, Testimony of Mr. Gaudet, p. 9, 28.

The proposed tower would have an adverse effect on the residents' quality of life who live immediately adjacent and in close proximity to 43 Osgood Avenue. September 2, 2021 hearing, Testimony of Mayor Stewart, p. 58-62.

INTERVENOR, CITY OF NEW BRITAIN

By Office of Corporation Counsel

By

Joseph E. Skelly, Jr.

Its Attorney

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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that a copy of the above was or will immediately be mailed or delivered electronically or non-electronically on December 08, 2021 to all counsel and self-represented parties of record:

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