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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

June 24, 2021

TO: Service List, dated June 7, 2021

FROM: Melanie Bachman, Executive Director *MAB*

RE: **DOCKET NO. 504** - 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 Lot N-4, Sequin Drive, Glastonbury, Connecticut.

Comments have been received from the State of Connecticut Council on Environmental Quality on June 23, 2021. A copy of the comments is attached for your review.

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c: Council Members



COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

June 23, 2021

Melanie Bachman, Executive Director Connecticut
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Dear Ms. Bachman:

The Council on Environmental Quality (“the Council”) offers the following comments with regards to Docket 504.

1. **Wetlands and vegetation**

The only wetland soils identified within 100 feet of the proposed tower and equipment compound are located approximately 18 feet west of the proposed tower compound on the proposed site. The proposed access drive would be only approximately ten feet east of the existing wetland on the proposed site. The Petitioner states that “there are no trees that will need to be removed to construct the Facility”. However, Project Plans, Sheet TR-1 depicts the existing tree line and there is a notation that states “Existing tree line to be modified”.

The Council notes that relocating the proposed tower and equipment compound to the north or east, if possible, would increase the buffer distance between the existing wetlands and proposed tower and equipment. Also, if access to the site were permitted from the existing driveway that extends south from Hebron Drive in Glastonbury the impact of the project on both wetlands and woodlands might be lessened. The Council recommends that the Petitioner assess the possibility of this option.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments. Please do not hesitate to contact the Council if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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