

1 STATE OF CONNECTICUT
2 CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

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5 Docket No. 511

6 Barrett Outdoor Communications application for a
7 Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and
8 Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and
9 operation of a telecommunications facility
10 located at 200 East Main Street Rear,
11 Stratford, Connecticut

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13 VIA ZOOM AND TELECONFERENCE

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15 Public Comment Session held on Thursday,
16 October 6, 2022, beginning at 6:30 p.m.,
17 via remote access.

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20 H e l d B e f o r e :

21 JOHN MORISSETTE, Presiding Officer

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25 Reporter: Lisa L. Warner, CSR #061

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17 **Also present: Brian Gaudet, Project Manager,**
18 **All-Points Technology Corporation, P.C.**

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20 **Zoom co-host: Aaron Demarest**

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24 ****All participants were present via remote access.**
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1 MR. MORISSETTE: Good evening, ladies
2 and gentlemen. This remote public hearing is
3 called to order this Thursday, October 6, 2022, at
4 6:30 p.m. My name is John Morissette, member and
5 presiding officer of the Connecticut Siting
6 Council. Other members of the Council are Brian
7 Golembiewski, designee for Commissioner Katie
8 Dykes of the Department of Energy and
9 Environmental Protection, Robert Silvestri,
10 Louanne Cooley and Mark Quinlan.

11 Members of the staff are Melanie
12 Bachman, executive director and staff attorney,
13 and Lisa Fontaine, fiscal administrative officer.

14 If you haven't done so already, I ask
15 that everyone please mute their computer audio and
16 their telephones now.

17 This is a continuation of the remote
18 public hearing that began at 2 p.m. this
19 afternoon. A copy of the prepared agenda is
20 available on the Council's Docket 511 webpage,
21 along with the record of this matter, the public
22 hearing notice, instructions for public access to
23 this remote public hearing, and the Council's
24 Citizens Guide to Siting Council Procedures.

25 This hearing is held pursuant to the

1 provisions of Title 16 of the Connecticut General
2 Statutes and of the Uniform Administrative
3 Procedure Act upon an application from Barrett
4 Outdoor Communications for a Certificate of
5 Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for
6 the construction, maintenance and operation of a
7 telecommunications facility located at 200 East
8 Main Street Rear, Stratford, Connecticut. This
9 application was received by the Council on July
10 25, 2022.

11 This application is also governed by
12 the Telecommunications Act of 1996, which is
13 administered by the Federal Communications
14 Commission. This Act prohibits this Council from
15 considering the health effects of radio frequency
16 emissions on human health and wildlife to the
17 extent that the emissions from towers are within
18 the federal acceptable safe limits standard, which
19 standard is also followed by the state Department
20 of Public Health. The Federal Act also prohibits
21 the Council from discriminating between and
22 amongst providers of functionally equivalent
23 services. This means that if one carrier already
24 provides service in the area, other carriers have
25 the right to compete and provide service in the

1 same area.

2 The Council's legal notice of the date
3 and time of this remote public hearing was
4 published in The Connecticut Post on August 23,
5 2022. Upon this Council's request, the applicant
6 erected a sign at the entrance of the proposed
7 site as to inform the public of the name of the
8 applicant, the type of facility, the remote public
9 hearing date, and contact information for the
10 Council, including the website and phone number.

11 This remote public comment session is
12 reserved for the public to make brief statements
13 into the record. The deadline for the public to
14 sign up to speak during this public comment
15 session was Wednesday, October 5, 2022. No member
16 of the public signed up to speak. Please be
17 advised that written comments may be submitted by
18 any person within 30 days of this public hearing.

19 I request the applicant to make a very
20 brief presentation to the public describing the
21 proposed facility. Mr. Gaudet.

22 MR. GAUDET: Thank you, Mr. Morissette.
23 Good evening. For the record, my name is Brian
24 Gaudet. I'm a project manager with All-Points
25 Technology Corporation.

1 The applicant for this proposed
2 135-foot monopole is Barrett Outdoor
3 Communications, Incorporated. The site is located
4 at 200 East Main Street Rear in Stratford. This
5 is an approximately 4.37 acre parcel that is
6 currently owned by UB Railside, LLC. The property
7 is located within a retail commercial district and
8 is developed as a boat storage facility.

9 The new compound will be located along
10 the northern property line in the northeastern
11 section of the parcel. Vehicle access to the site
12 will be along the existing paved driveway off of
13 East Main Street to the west and traverse
14 generally eastward and then north into the
15 proposed compound. Next slide, please. Thank
16 you.

17 The compound is roughly 156 feet by 23
18 feet rectangular gravel-based compound surrounded
19 by an 80-foot high chain-link fence with an
20 anti-climb mesh. The compound will be accessed in
21 two locations both 12 feet wide on the southern
22 fence line.

23 Electric utilities will run underground
24 from the existing transformer outside of the
25 compound to a new pad-mounted transformer to be

1 located within an UI easement to the east of the
2 compound. From there they will run underground to
3 a multi-meter bank on the elevated platform.

4 Fiber will run from the west approximately 1,450
5 feet to the meter bank on the elevated platform.

6 The compound has been sized for five
7 carriers, AT&T and four future carriers. Verizon,
8 DISH and AT&T have expressed an interest to
9 collocate on the proposed tower. All equipment,
10 with the exception of any emergency back-up
11 generators, will be installed on the proposed
12 elevated steel platform. AT&T has currently
13 proposed a 15-kilowatt diesel generator with a
14 containment basin to be installed on a new 7-foot
15 by 9-foot concrete pad in the western portion of
16 the compound -- sorry, eastern portion of the
17 compound. Next slide, please. Thank you.

18 A new 135-foot tall monopole will be
19 located in the western portion of the new
20 compound. AT&T currently plans to install 12
21 antennas, 12 remote radio units, and two surge
22 arresters mounted on collar mount and sector
23 frames. The centerline of the antennas will be
24 132 feet above ground level. The tower is also
25 designed to accommodate four future carriers with

1 additional lease area within the existing compound
2 and up to a 20-foot monopole extension which would
3 be subject to Connecticut Siting Council process
4 and approval. Thank you very much.

5 MR. MORISSETTE: Thank you, Mr. Gaudet.

6 Before closing the evidentiary record
7 in this matter, the Connecticut Siting Council
8 announces that briefs and proposed findings of
9 fact may be filed with the Council by any party or
10 intervenor no later than November 5, 2022. The
11 submission of briefs or proposed findings of fact
12 are not required by this Council, rather we leave
13 it to the choice of the parties or the
14 intervenors.

15 Anyone who has not become a party or
16 intervenor but who desires to make his or her
17 views known to the Council may file written
18 statements with the Council within 30 days of the
19 date hereof.

20 The Council will issue draft findings
21 of fact, and thereafter parties and intervenors
22 may identify errors or inconsistencies between the
23 Council's draft findings of fact and the record.
24 However, no new information, no new evidence, no
25 argument and no reply briefs without our

1 permission will be considered by the Council.

2 Copies of the transcript of this
3 hearing will be filed at the Stratford Town
4 Clerk's Office and Milford City Clerk's Office for
5 the convenience of the public.

6 I hereby declare this hearing
7 adjourned. And thank you, everyone, for your
8 participation. Thank you and have a good evening.

9 (Whereupon, the above proceedings
10 concluded at 6:38 p.m.)

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1 CERTIFICATE FOR REMOTE HEARING

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4 I hereby certify that the foregoing 10 pages
5 are a complete and accurate computer-aided
6 transcription of my original stenotype notes taken
7 before the CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL of the
8 REMOTE PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION IN RE: DOCKET NO.
9 511, BARRETT OUTDOOR COMMUNICATIONS APPLICATION
10 FOR A CERTIFICATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY
11 AND PUBLIC NEED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE,
12 AND OPERATION OF A TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITY
13 LOCATED AT 200 EAST MAIN STREET REAR, STRATFORD,
14 CONNECTICUT, which was held before JOHN
15 MORISSETTE, PRESIDING OFFICER, on October 6, 2022.

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17 Lisa L. Warner, CSR 061
18 Court Reporter
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