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Executive Director/Staff Attorney November 8 , 2023
Connecticut Siting Council
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Re: Proposed Wireless Telecommunications Tower Facility
288 Simpaug Turnpike (Parcel 12-29)
Redding CT 06896
Docket 517

Dear Ms.Bachman,

Here are my Pre-Hearing Interrogatories to MCM and Cellco Partnership doing business as Verizon Wireless. Intervenor DeLuca

1. Please provide substantial proof that the need for service is greater than any environmental effects.

I have lived in West Redding for 12 years and have had zero issues with my service. Please provide proof of dropped 911 calls or any Towns emergency services which provide adequate safety to its residents versus the hazards associated with an invasive a 150' monopole with 9 panels for antennas and 9 remote radio heads emitting powerful electromagnetic frequencies that could affect the wildlife and children in this pristine 174 acre wildlife and educational preserve? If only "a preliminary study has been done on threatened or endangered species" when will a complete and conclusive study be done on all native species ? And will it be provided to us well before the hearing? Also please provide data on how this will not be an "attractive nuisance" for boy scouts to climb creating an undue burden on our emergency resources and Town liability?

2. There are 44 Towers and 79 Antennas within a 3 mile radius of 288 Simpaug Turnpike according to Antenna.search.com. Section 2 of the application site search summary states: "both MCM and Verizon seek to avoid the unnecessary proliferation of towers and to reduce the potential adverse environmental effects of a needed facility." Please provide data how you have "avoided" said proliferation of towers and reduced the environmental effects if MCM and Verizon is in fact adding yet another cell tower facility to an already crowded 3 mile radius?

If there is truly a "lack of coverage" as claimed then why would my Broadband RF Meter clearly show connecting service to 8 antennas? Four of which are Verizon Wireless?

3. Please list all "community preferences" that were taken into consideration for your site choice as referred to in your application. Please provide evidence on how your 4 mile search claims to not be able to find a "suitable location". Section 16-50 . Define "Suitable"?

If "community preferences" were actually taken as stated then it would be recommended to apply for a more "suitable" location such as the Francis J Industrial Park or the West Redding Firehouse. These locations are within the required coverage gap radius and would serve the supposed" need"

4. Please explain in detailed layman's terms the specific reason why an alternative site was rejected?

5. Please provide a detailed explanation of what "RF rejected" means for locations at :

306 Umpawaug Rd

4 Dittmar Rd

36 Sugar Hollow Rd

66 Sugar Hollow Rd

and all other rejected locations.

6. If the “supposed” coverage gap exists on Rte 53 and in Southwestern Bethel and Southern Danbury, why was the only spot deemed “suitable” not in those locations? Why was the specific half mile radius limited to Long Ridge Rd and Simpaug Turnpike and determined to be the only “suitable “ location?

7. If the lease with the Scout Council of America was signed in 2014 was the Town of Redding notified and why was the coverage map done after the fact in 2016?

8. If a tree inventory was done in December 2022 why wasn't a balloon flow over the site then when there were no leaves? Why was it done in June when there was full foliage? Will there be a balloon run now? Can you please provide those photos taken to all intervenors prior to the hearing?

9. How will tree cover “limit overall visibility” as stated when the monopole is 150’ and the native trees are not 150’ tall? How will “year round visibility be limited to the immediate area” as stated when it is in an elevated location? Please define the “immediate” area?

10. Please list all agencies that have to be notified of this cell tower proposal. Please list if they have been reported to including NEPA who requires federal agencies to assess the environmental effects of their proposed actions prior to making decisions: “to use all practicable means to create and maintain conditions under which man and nature can exist in productive harmony.”

11. Can you guarantee that a tower will improve service to the area once it is erected ? The tower that went up at 4 Dittmar Rd did not improve the service according to its residents. How do we know that this won't happen in West Redding ?

12. Please provide the exact pdf model and make specifications and speed for every antenna that is being proposed. Please provide the amount of power per transmitter and the direction of the transmitting beam.

Thank you .

Dottie DeLuca

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On Wed, Nov 1, 2023 at 3:27 PM Arguello, Karina I. <KArguello@rc.com> wrote:

Good afternoon,

Hard copies will be sent to the Council today.

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