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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

August 25, 2023

Dorothy DeLuca
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RE: **DOCKET NO. 517** – MCM Holdings, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at the Boy Scouts of America Camp Hoyt, 288 Simpaug Turnpike (Parcel No. 12-29), Redding, Connecticut. **Request for Intervenor Status.**

Dear Dorothy DeLuca:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of your letter of August 15, 2023, requesting Intervenor status under Connecticut General Statutes (C.G.S.) §4-177a and §16-50n in Docket No. 517.

Your request will be placed on the August 31, 2023 meeting agenda, a copy of which is attached. Your attendance is welcome but is not required. You will be notified of the Council's determination immediately thereafter.

While your request is pending, information regarding Party/Intervenor Status may be accessed on the Council's website at the following link: <https://portal.ct.gov/CSC/Public-Participation/Public-Participation/Public-Participation-Information-Links>

Copies of the application are available at the Redding Town Hall. All documents filed to date are available at the Council's office or on our website under pending matters.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Melanie A. Bachman
Executive Director

MB/RDM/laf

c: Service List, dated August 15, 2023
Kenneth C. Baldwin, Esq., Robinson + Cole LLP (kbaldwin@rc.com)

From: Dottie DeLuca <info@fleurdeliset.com>

Sent: Wednesday, August 23, 2023 7:17 PM

To: DEEP Adjudications <DEEP.Adjudications@ct.gov>; CSC-DL Siting Council <Siting.Council@ct.gov>

Subject: intervene cell tower proposal at 3 Marchant Rd Redding CT on Simpaug Turnpike Redding CT
Dear Siting Council,

I would like to file as an intervener for the proposed cell tower at 3 Marchant Rd in Redding CT 06896. The proposed location is at the Hoyt Boy Scout property on Simpaug Turnpike and Marchant Rd in Redding CT. It is in direct violation of the National Environmental Act of 1970. To build a 150 foot tower plus antennas on Boy Scout property where young boys are trying to disconnect from technology and be outdoors is a complete violation of the safety and trust of troops who use this site and an overreach by MCI Holdings.

Just because the Boy Scouts of America were found guilty in the landmark case of abusing boys and need to pay damages to the tune of 2.46 billion doesn't mean they can get away with further abuse to children with a dangerous cell tower that will most definitely interfere with their developing mitochondria. Not to mention the Boy Scouts will most likely climb this cell tower and could incur further damage as this site is not appropriately safeguarded. It is a public space for education and camping of school aged children.

- An [analysis](#) by human rights experts published in Environmental Science & Policy argues that cell tower placement near schools is a human rights issue for children because “protection of children is a high threshold norm in Human Right law” and “any widespread or systematic form of environmental pollution that poses a long-term threat to a child’s rights to life, development or health may constitute an human rights violation.”
- An [analysis](#) of studies found ~80% showed biological effects near towers. “Many biological effects have been documented at very low intensities comparable to what the population experiences within 200 to 500 ft (*60–150 m) of a cell tower, including effects that occurred in studies of cell cultures and animals after exposures to low-intensity RFR. Effects re- ported include: genetic, growth, and reproductive; increases in permeability of the blood–brain barrier; behavioral; molecular, cellular, and metabolic; and increases in cancer risk.”

This proposed cell Tower site also borders the New Pond Farm Educational Center. An Educational nature center that boasts roughly 5000 annual visitors which are mostly children . The New Pond farm educational facility is well known for its bucolic atmosphere ,it's dairy farm ,trails , culinary farm to table events , wildlife events and it's classrooms for children. The whole concept of their school is to be one with nature . This cell tower goes against everything Redding and these Nature schools stand for . We also have have another school called Westbrook Nature School that has the same philosophies and academic agenda of learning in and amongst nature . So this huge tower completely goes against these institutions.

I as a land owner also oppose this tower because of its proximity to my land and the negative impacts it will have on my health as well as my real estate resale value .

- A [2021 study](#) published in the International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health Found higher cell tower RFR radiation exposures linked to increased mortality for all cancers including breast, cervix, lung, and esophagus cancers.

I am also concerned about the wildlife that will now have nowhere to go to as well as the Marchant Horse Farm. They have 3500 honey bees and produce honey . Once the bees are nuked out by this cell tower the bees won't be able to find their hive as they will be too disoriented . We already have a bee shortage which means crops won't be pollinated .

Right next to Marchant Farm and New Pond Farm is a canine compound as well. These dogs will be getting nuked all day long from the EMFs and will cause anxiety and incessant barking as well as cancers and other issues .

"California News Service) A growing body of scientific studies showed electromagnetic fields from the extremely low frequencies common to power lines and radio-frequency radiation, the kind from cell towers and mobile devices, may be harmful to wildlife as well as humans."

"The drastic build of cell towers are causing the natural imbalance in the ecosystem to become a global issue. There are significant reasons for bee colony collapse disorder (CCD) from EMF's ,pesticides, and climate change.

The location is also within proximity to John Read middle school so the siting council must decline this proposal and force MCI to find other suitable land for their toxic cell tower.

And the FCC should not even consider this tower proposal to be acceptable by any means.

By the way many residents know this cell tower is to serve other areas like Bethel and Danbury so put it in those towns not Redding .

Our whole mantra here in Redding is: "Big Outdoors ,small town." This tower does not belong here period. Furthermore MCI holdings has not proved an adequate need at all. I have resided in this area for 12 years and have had zero issues with my cell service . So the claim for a need is completely false and should disqualify them immediately.

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<https://townofreddingct.org/event/public-information-center-re-wireless-telecommunications-tower-facility-at-camp-hoyt/>

<https://www.ctyankee.org/scout-info/council-camps/hoyt/>

<https://www.cbsnews.com/philadelphia/news/boy-scouts-processing-sexual-abuse-claims-in-2-46-billion-settlement/>

<https://nij.ojp.gov/funding/national-environmental-policy-act-nepa>

<https://ehtrust.org/liability-and-risk-from-5g-and-cell-towers/>

<https://kiowacountypress.net/content/research-suggests-cell-tower-radiation-harms-wildlife>

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC6563664/>

<https://newpondfarm.org/>

<https://westbrooknatureschool.org/>

<https://marchant-farm-llc.ueniweb.com/>

<https://www.caninecolleget.com/dog-boarding-services>

<https://www.johnreadps.org/>

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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

DATE: August 24, 2023
TO: Council Members
FROM: Melanie Bachman, Executive Director *NAB*
RE: Connecticut Siting Council Energy/Telecommunications Meeting

An Energy/Telecommunications meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council **via Zoom Remote Conferencing** will be held on Thursday, August 31, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. Please note that the draft documents related to the agenda items will be available to view on-line on our website at portal.ct.gov/csc under the Tab - Meetings and Minutes - on the left-hand side of the home page.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86942819864?pwd=ZkdPMG8wMUk1YTFUb1prMy9YUjAxQT09>

Meeting ID: 869 4281 9864

Passcode: E4LVtk

Dial +1 929 205 6099 US (New York)

Meeting ID: 869 4281 9864

Passcode: 726759

AGENDA

1. Minutes of August 17, 2023.
2. **DOCKET NO. 507** – Homeland Towers, LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a wireless telecommunications facility located at 222 Clintonville Road, North Branford, Connecticut. Request to Transfer Certificate.
3. **DOCKET NO. 514** - Glenvale, LLC d/b/a Glenvale Solar application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a 4.0-megawatt-AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility located at 56 River Road, Putnam, Connecticut and associated electrical interconnection. Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order.
4. **DOCKET NO. 517** – MCM Holdings, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at the Boy Scouts of America Camp Hoyt, 288 Simpaug Turnpike (Parcel No. 12-29), Redding, Connecticut. Completeness Review, Schedule, Deposition of the Transcript, Requests for Intervenor Status.

5. **PETITION NO. 1566** - The Connecticut Light and Power Company d/b/a Eversource Energy petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed Card Substation to Wawecus Junction Upgrade Project consisting of the replacement of electric transmission line structures along its existing 12.5-mile electric transmission right-of-way shared by its existing 115-kilovolt (kV) Nos. 1080/1490 and 1080/1070 Lines between Card Substation in Lebanon, Stockhouse Road Substation in Bozrah and Wawecus Junction in Norwich, Connecticut traversing the municipalities of Lebanon, Franklin, Bozrah and Norwich, and related electric transmission line and substation improvements. Spaulding and Yeisley Motion for Investigation of Illegal Work and False Statements by the Council's Executive Director and Objections to Council Proceedings, Scheduling of Motions, and Request for Immediate Hearing.
6. **PETITION NO. 1575** – The Connecticut Light and Power Company d/b/a Eversource Energy petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for proposed modifications to its existing Salisbury Substation located at 316 Indian Mountain Road, Salisbury, Connecticut, and related electric transmission line structure improvements. Decision.
7. **PETITION NO. 1576** - The Connecticut Light and Power Company d/b/a Eversource Energy petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed Middletown Substation to Oxbow Junction Upgrade Project consisting of the replacement of electric transmission line structures along approximately 5.5 miles of its existing No. 1620 115-kilovolt (kV) electric transmission line right of way between Middletown Substation in Middletown and Oxbow Junction in Haddam, Connecticut, and related electric transmission line and substation improvements. Decision.
8. **PETITION NO. 1577** - The Connecticut Light and Power Company d/b/a Eversource Energy petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed Frost Bridge to Noera Rebuild Project consisting of the replacement and reconductoring of electric transmission line structures along approximately 5 miles of its existing electric transmission line right-of-way shared by its existing 115-kilovolt (kV) 1163 and 1550 Lines between Frost Bridge Substation in Watertown to Noera Substation in Waterbury, traversing the municipalities of Watertown, Thomaston, Plymouth and Waterbury, Connecticut, and related electric transmission line and substation improvements. Decision.
9. **PETITION NO. 1581** - KCE CT 8, LLC petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 4.9-megawatt AC battery energy storage facility located at 44 Skinner Street, East Hampton, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection. Motion for Protective Order – Response to Council Interrogatory No. 3 Cost Information.
10. **PETITION NO. 1583** - TRITEC Americas, LLC notice of election to waive exclusion from Connecticut Siting Council jurisdiction, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §16-50k(e), and petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 0.999-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility located at Parcel Nos. 113-1 and 113-1-A, 428 Bethmour Road, Bethany, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection. Request for Intervenor/CEPA Intervenor Status.

11. **PETITION NO. 1584** - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed installation of a small wireless telecommunications facility and associated equipment on the roof of a City-owned, multiuse building located at 1212 Main Street, Hartford, Connecticut. CGS §4-176 Deadline for Action – Set Date for Decision.
12. **PETITION NO. 1585** - Endurant Energy petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 4.9-megawatt AC battery energy storage facility located at 508 North Colony Street, Meriden, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection. CGS §4-176 Deadline for Action – Set Date for Decision.

Tower Share Request Consent Calendar - Item Nos. 13 - 15

13. **TS-DISH-158-230724** - Dish Wireless, LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 92 Greens Farms Road, Westport, Connecticut. Decision.
14. **TS-DISH-093-230728** - Dish Wireless, LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 69 Wheeler Street, New Haven, Connecticut. Decision.
15. **TS-T-MOBILE-056-230811** - T-Mobile request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 8 Upper Meadow Lane, Granby, Connecticut. Decision.

16. Administrative Matters

- ***Regular Items***

- Upcoming Calendar Events:

- Petition No. 1572, Thursday, September 7, 2023, **evidentiary hearing session** beginning at 2:00 p.m. and **public comment session** beginning at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom remote conferencing.
- Energy/Telecommunications Meeting, Thursday, September 14, 2023, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** via Zoom remote conferencing.
- Energy/Telecommunications Meeting, Thursday, September 28, 2023, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** via Zoom remote conferencing.

cc: Secretary of the State