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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

August 28, 2023

JoAnn Villamizar
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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 JoAnn Villamizar:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of your letter of August 25, 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 next available meeting agenda, a copy of which will be sent to you. 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

From: Jo Vi <jlvilla56@aol.com>
Sent: Friday, August 25, 2023 2:01 PM
To: CSC-DL Siting Council <Siting.Council@ct.gov>
Cc: JoAnn Villamizar <jlvilla56@aol.com>
Subject: MCM Holdings, LLC Wireless Telecommunications Tower Facility at 3 Marchant Road in Redding Connecticut

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Dear Madam/Sir:

I, JoAnn Villamizar, own and reside at 235 Simpaug Turnpike in Redding, which property abuts the parcel on which the proposed cell tower is planned to be constructed by MCM Holdings. Accordingly I qualify as an intervenor under the statute and, thus, hereby request status as such. I object to the construction of the cell tower and additional required components on this location based upon the fact that it is a scout camp site where children are participating in events continuously including overnight camping. The children cannot be watched every minute that they are on the site and the construction of the cell tower with fencing, etc. presents a situation for children to be children which may result in harm to them. This situation falls squarely within the Attractive Nuisance Doctrine as an attractive nuisance is essentially anything that can attract teens and children to a property that threatens them with harm.

Understandably, the site was likely chosen for convenience as there is an existing road to the site from Simpaug Turnpike. But should lowering cost for MCM Holdings override the safety of the children. Should we really wait until something goes terribly wrong to decide that perhaps this is not the best location for a cell tower. It should be noted that even the CEO of the corporation owning the Camp Hoyt stated that he did not believe that construction of the cell tower on the site was safe at the Redding Town Meeting where a presentation was given by MCM Holding to the neighboring land owners. The Siting Committee can certainly require MCM Holdings to provide his name as I am not aware of it if further investigation is deemed necessary. There were additional objections to the location of the cell tower on the scout camp at the meeting on the basis of the cell tower being an attractive nuisance. Accordingly, for the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully requested that the application for construction of the cell tower on the proposed parcel be denied.

Respectfully submitted,

JoAnn Villamizar
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