

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

IN RE: :
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MCM HOLDINGS, LLC APPLICATION FOR A : DOCKET NO. 517
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 : NOVEMBER 20, 2023

RESPONSES OF CELLCO PARTNERSHIP D/B/A VERIZON WIRELESS TO
INTERROGATORIES FROM INTERVENOR SUZANNE FOGLE

On November 8, 2023, the Intervenor, Suzanne Fogle issued Interrogatories to Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless (“Cellco”), relating to Docket No. 517. Below are Cellco’s responses.

Question No. 1

Has MCM shown a significant gap in cell coverage in the Town of Redding? Is there any documented instance in anything MCM has submitted to the Town of Redding residents suffering from poor cell reception/performance?

Response

Information regarding Cellco’s need for improved wireless service in northwest Redding is documented in the Docket No. 517 Application narrative and Attachment 1 and in Cellco’s responses to Council Interrogatory nos. 5 through 12.

Question No. 2

Does MCM’s application include a detailed alternative-site analysis documenting all possible locations it had considered and evaluated? Has MCM shown that there’s no feasible

alternative to the Hoyt campground? If so, how and where is this documented?

Response

Response to be provided by MCM.

Question No. 3

Has the town council secured access to the un-redacted lease agreement between MCM and The Boy Scouts of America? Will that be made available to the public?

Response

Response to be provided by MCM.

Question No. 4

MCM says “the tower and foundation are not currently designed to accommodate any future height increase or extension,” as per Docket #517. Could the tower, in the future, be modified to accommodate a height increase: If so, would a light then be required for the top of the tower, which would further increase the thread to migrating birds?

Response

Response to be provided by MCM.

Question No. 5

Was West Redding FD included in your site search? What evidence do you have that is was?

Response

See Cellco’s response to Council Interrogatory No. 2.

Question No. 6

Would the greatest number of people benefiting from the installment of the cell tower at Hoyt be residents of Redding? Or would a greater number of people benefiting live in Bethel

and/or Danbury?

Response

Based on the coverage plots provided in Attachment 1 of the MCM Application, it appears that most of the coverage improvement would occur within Redding. The proposed facility would also provide significant coverage benefits in southern portions of Bethel and Danbury as well.

Question No. 7

How close will the proposed tower be to the nearest existing tower? What is the distance the Town of Redding or the State of Connecticut requires?

Response

Response to be provided by MCM.

Question No. 8

In the event you are granted approval for construction, will you be applying for a variance from the zoning board of appeals? How many variances will you be applying for?

Response

Response to be provided by MCM.

Question No. 9

How close will the tower be to the nearest residential structure? What is the distance required by the town?

Response

Response to be provided by MCM.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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