

## STATE OF CONNECTICUT CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

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#### VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

July 24, 2020

TO: Service list dated July 24, 2020

FROM: Melanie Bachman, Executive Director MAB

RE: **DOCKET 488** – Homeland Towers, LLC and New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC d/b/a AT&T

application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at one of two sites: Kent Tax Assessor ID #M10, Block 22, Lot 38 Bald Hill Road or 93 Richards Road, Kent,

Connecticut.

During a public hearing of the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) held on July 23, 2020, the Council ruled on the following motions and requests:

1. Applicants' Motion for Protective Order for the Phase I Environmental Site Assessment, dated July 16, 2020.

The Motion was granted and a closed evidentiary hearing session specifically limited to the Phase I Environmental Site Assessment shall be held at 2 PM via Zoom remote conferencing on September 3, 2020. Participation in the closed evidentiary session shall be limited to the parties and intervenors who sign the Non-Disclosure Agreement attached to the Protective Order.

2. Spectacle Ridge Association, Inc. (SRA) Request for Intervenor and CEPA Intervenor Status, dated July 16, 2020.

The request was granted and pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §16-50n(c), the Council grouped SRA with Intervenor and CEPA Intervenor Planned Development Alliance of Northwest Connecticut, Inc. (PDA) on the basis of similar interests and common counsel.

3. South Spectacle Lakeside Residents (Lakeside) Request for Intervenor and CEPA Intervenor Status, dated July 16, 2020.

The request was granted and pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §16-50n(c), the Council grouped Lakeside with Intervenors and CEPA Intervenors PDA and SRA on the basis of similar interests and common counsel.

4. Applicants Motion to Strike R. Bruce Hunter, MAI's Pre-Filed Testimony submitted by Intervenor Bald Hill Road Neighbors, dated July 20, 2020.

The motion was denied and Mr. Hunter shall verify his pre-filed testimony and be subject to cross examination during the appearance of the Bald Hill Road Neighbors at a continued evidentiary hearing session.

### **Continuation of Evidentiary Hearing**

The Council shall continue the remote evidentiary hearing session for the above-referenced proceeding on **August 11, 2020** via Zoom conferencing, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** A copy of the Instructions for Access to the Continued Evidentiary Hearing is attached.

The hearing shall commence with the continued cross examination of the Applicants by the Council, followed by cross examination of the Applicants by the grouped Intervenors and CEPA Intervenors - PDA/SRA/Lakeside - and thereafter by the other parties and intervenors in the order listed on the July 23, 2020 Hearing Program, followed by the appearance of the parties and intervenors for cross-examination by the Council, the Applicants, and other parties and intervenors in the order listed on the July 23, 2020 Hearing Program.

### **Petitioner's Late-Filed Exhibits**

During the July 23, 2020 evidentiary hearing session, the Council requested that the Applicants submit the following information as late-filed exhibits:

- a) Provide more specific coverage gap information for the proposed sites in relation to the data presented in Application Attachment 1.
- b) Indicate if AT&T would be willing to accept a 125-foot tower at either site, and if so, provide revised coverage area information. If a 125-foot tower is not acceptable, provide specific reasons as to what specific coverage deficiencies necessitate a taller tower.
- c) Indicate the feasibility of a potential re-location of the Site B (Richards Road) tower to an area along the southern property line, or in another area of property. If such re-location is feasible, discuss the potential impact on tower visibility.

The Council requests these late-filed exhibits be submitted to the Council before the close of business on **August 4, 2020**.

Any request for an extension of time to submit the above-referenced late-filed exhibits shall be submitted to the Council in writing pursuant to §16-50j-22a of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

If you have any questions about Council procedures, please do not hesitate to contact me at the Council office at 860-827-2935.

Thank you.

Enclosure: Instructions for Access to Continued Evidentiary Hearing

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## Instructions for Public Access to Docket 488 Remote Continued Evidentiary Public Hearing Session – August 11, 2020 at 1 PM

#### **PLEASE NOTE:**

- Interested persons may join the continued evidentiary session to listen, but **no public comments** will be received during the continued evidentiary session. Public comments may be submitted to the Council by email at <a href="mailto:sitting.council@ct.gov">sitting.council@ct.gov</a> or by regular mail.
- Any person may be removed from the remote continued evidentiary session at the discretion of the Council.
- All participants are requested to mute sound notifications on their computer, smartphone or tablet. Telephones are often equipped with a "do not disturb" feature for the dial-in option.

### **Access to Continued Evidentiary Session**

 Attendees can join by clicking (or entering) the following link: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/91075871817?pwd=dnlFb2ZncVFFQmEvcVY2ZFhiREFmZz09">https://zoom.us/j/91075871817?pwd=dnlFb2ZncVFFQmEvcVY2ZFhiREFmZz09</a> from a computer, smartphone, or tablet. No prior software download is required.

Meeting ID: 910 7587 1817

Password: 7x7TqA

- 2. For audio-only participation, attendees can join by dialing in at 1 (929) 205 6099 (not toll free) and then enter the Meeting ID: 910 7587 1817 and Password: 598122 from a telephone.
- 3. All microphones will be muted upon entry into the meeting and will be turned on in the order of party appearances and cross examination governed by the Hearing Program.
- 4. No public comments will be received during the continued evidentiary session.