

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
SITING COUNCIL

IN RE:

APPLICATION OF HOMELAND TOWERS, LLC AND
NEW CINGULAR WIRELESS PSC, LLC d/b/a AT&T FOR A
CERTIFICATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY
AND PUBLIC NEED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION
MAINTENANCE, AND OPERATION OF A
TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITY AT ONE OF TWO
SITES IN THE TOWN OF KENT, CONNECTICUT

DOCKET NO.488

July 16, 2020

SPECTACLE RIDGE ASSOCIATION WITNESS AND EXHIBIT LIST

SRA intends to call the following witnesses and present exhibits as follows:

1. Mathew Sippel (pre-filed testimony submitted) (See end of this document)

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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RE: **Docket No. 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

Dear Siting Council Members:

The undersigned, Spectacle Ridge Association, Inc, is writing this letter to express our support for the positions taken and arguments made in the filing by Planned Development Alliance of Northwest CT, Inc. in the above Docket 488, which we summarize as follows:

- Due to the limited number of residents served and miles of Route 341 covered by the proposed towers, the public need of the proposed towers is outweighed by the environmental harm due to their location on highly visible ridgelines, dramatic local and long range viewshed impacts and their locations close to residences. This is especially true where a viable “small-cell” solution exists to provide better coverage of Route 341 and its vicinity.
- Dramatically shorter towers, as short as 80 feet, provide substantially the same coverage as the 154 foot towers, and if these shorter towers were camouflaged as trees the view shed impact would be substantially reduced. If a tower is to be approved, the shortest possible tower should be approved and required to be camouflaged as a tree.

Please contact the undersigned with any questions.

Respectfully Submitted,

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