

STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

IN RE: :  
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APPLICATION OF THE FIRST TAXING : DOCKET NO. 489  
DISTRICT WATER DEPARTMENT OF :  
NORWALK FOR A CERTIFICATE OF :  
ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY AND :  
PUBLIC NEED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, :  
MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF A :  
WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS :  
FACILITY AT 173½ WEST ROCKS ROAD IN :  
NORWALK, CONNECTICUT : JULY 27, 2020

RESPONSES OF THE FIRST TAXING DISTRICT WATER DEPARTMENT OF NORWALK  
TO CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL PRE-HEARING QUESTIONS, SET TWO

On July 16, 2020, the Connecticut Siting Council (“Council”) issued Pre-Hearing Questions, Set Two to The First Taxing District Water Department of Norwalk (“Applicant” or “FTD”), relating to Docket No. 489. The FTD offers the following responses.

**Notice**

Question No. 47

Referencing the response to Council interrogatory 1, notice letters were resent to four abutters on April 23, 2020. Were such notices sent by regular (i.e. first class) mail?

Response

The additional notice letters referenced in the Applicant’s response to Interrogatory No. 1 were sent by regular mail.

## **Site/Tower**

### Question No. 48

Referencing the response to Council interrogatory 13, the proposed tower (and foundation) would be designed to accommodate an increase in tower height. How much of an increase in height would the facility be designed for?

### Response

Typically, the tower would be designed to accommodate a 20' extension.

## **Environment**

### Question No. 49

Referencing the response to Council interrogatory 42, the proposed facility is located within the Kellogg-Deering Aquifer Protection Area (APA). What measures could the Applicant utilize to protect this APA?

### Response

As proposed in previous Dockets (e.g. Docket No. 455), an Aquifer Protection Plan would be implemented during construction and incorporated into the Development and Management Plan should the Council approve this application. The Aquifer Protection Plan would include various precautions, protective measures, monitoring and notifications to protect APA in accordance with standard Connecticut Department of Public Health recommendations. Such measures would include proper installation and monitoring of erosion and sedimentation controls, a petroleum/hazardous materials storage and spill prevention plan, herbicide/pesticide best management practices, proper treatment of stormwater runoff, and notifications and reporting to the Norwalk First District Water Department and Connecticut Siting Council.

Question No. 50

Please submit photographic site documentation with notations linked to the site plans or a detailed aerial image that identify locations of site-specific and representative site features. The submission should include photographs of the site from public road(s) or publicly accessible area(s) as well as Site-specific locations depicting site features including, but not necessarily limited to, the following locations as applicable:

For each photo, please indicate the photo viewpoint direction and stake or flag the locations of site-specific and representative site features. Site-specific and representative site features include, but are not limited to, as applicable:

1. wetlands, watercourses and vernal pools;
2. forest/forest edge areas;
3. agricultural soil areas;
4. sloping terrain;
5. proposed stormwater control features;
6. nearest residences;
7. site access and interior access road(s);
8. utility pads/electrical interconnection(s);
9. clearing limits/property lines;
10. mitigation areas; and

11. any other noteworthy features relative to the Project.

A photolog graphic must accompany the submission, using a site plan or a detailed aerial image, depicting each numbered photograph for reference. For each photo, indicate the photo location number and viewpoint direction, and clearly identify the locations of site-specific and representative site features shown (e.g., physical staking/flagging or other means of marking the subject area).

The submission shall be delivered electronically in a legible portable document format (PDF) with a maximum file size of <20MB. If necessary, multiple files may be submitted and clearly marked in terms of sequence.

Response

*See Remote Field Review attached.*

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 27th day of July 2020, a copy of the foregoing was sent, via electronic mail, to:

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