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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

December 23, 2020

TO: Service List dated October 21, 2020

FROM: Melanie A. Bachman *MAB*
Executive Director

RE: **DOCKET NO. 495** - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 5151 Park Avenue, Fairfield, Connecticut.

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of correspondence from the Fairfield Conservation Commission dated December 21, 2020 concerning the above-referenced application.

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §16-50l(b), a copy of the application is to be submitted to the Fairfield Conservation Commission for review. In the event that the Fairfield Conservation Commission does not avail itself of the opportunity to attain party status under Connecticut General Statutes §16-50n, this correspondence shall become part of the record in this proceeding in the form of a limited appearance.

Therefore, copies of the Fairfield Conservation Commission's correspondence is being distributed to all participants in this proceeding and will also be administratively noticed in the record.

MAB/RDM/lm

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Subject: Docket No. 495 Cellco Partnership dba Version Wireless 5151 Park Ave Fairfield, CT Comments for the record
Date: Monday, December 21, 2020 11:48:44 AM

To Whom It May Concern:

The Conservation Commission of the Town of Fairfield, held a meeting, by teleconference, December 16, 2020 and reviewed the matter referenced as Docket 495 at 5151 Park Ave. The Commission offers the following comments.

The proposal for installation of the monopole cell tower involves extending a driveway area and leveling a compound area with all new areas either graveled or covered in crushed stone, other than concrete pad areas. The proposal, if under local jurisdiction, would have required storm water detention for the extension of the hammerhead driveway and for the levelling and preparation of the compound area. Yes it is known that at this time, there is no plan to pave these areas, and that those areas are currently indicated as previous with gravel for the driveway hammerhead area, and 3" thick, ¾-inch stone over the 50-foot by 50-foot compound area except for the concrete pads for the generator, propane tank, and equipment cabinets. However, it has been Commission policy to recommend and/or require storm water detention at this time, when a project first goes in. It has been the Commission's experience that, in the future, when someone decides to pave any portion of the area, or the whole area, no one comes back for a permit, or gets storm water detention at that future time. Therefore, the Commission has found it is reasonable and prudent to require storm water detention at this time, when the grading and site work is being planned, and when such site work can be easily conducted. Our calculations show that such storm water detention involves 600 square feet for the expanded driveway area, and 2500 square feet for the compound area, or a total of 3100 square feet of impervious area. This would be 961 cubic feet of needed storage which could be detained by 10.73, say 11, cultec 330 units, for example.

The Fairfield Conservation Commission recommends such storm water detention be provided for this project at this initial construction phase, as it is provided for all similar projects in Fairfield.

Thank you for your consideration.

Annette Jacobson
Conservation Administrator
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