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April 8, 2021

TO: Council Members

FROM: Melanie Bachman, Executive Director *MAB*

RE: **DOCKET NO. 499** – 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 16 Coote Hill Road, Sherman, Connecticut.

I. Introduction

The application is from Homeland Towers, LLC and New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC d/b/a AT&T for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility and associated equipment in the Town of Sherman, Connecticut.

II. Technical

The application conforms to the Council's *Application Guide for Community Antenna Television and Telecommunication Facilities* dated July 2012, includes relevant maps, descriptions of the site, costs, a description of the environmental effects of the proposed construction, and health and safety information. The application meets statutory technical requirements for processing the application. This project would not require an outside consultant.

III. Administrative Review

All service and filing requirements pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes (CGS) § 16-50/ (b) have been fulfilled. Notice to the general public was published in the Town Tribune.

IV. Procedural

Pursuant to CGS §16-50m, the Council must schedule a public hearing not less than 30 days and no more than 150 days after receipt of an application. At least one public hearing session shall be held after 6:30 PM for the convenience of the general public. The Council must also designate a place for the deposition of the transcript. In accordance with CGS §16-50m and Governor Lamont's March 14, 2020 Executive Order No. 7B, as extended, staff recommends holding a remote public hearing via Zoom conferencing on May 25, 2021, and depositing the transcript in Sherman Town Hall.

Siting Analyst: Robert Mercier

Enclosure: Schedule



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SCHEDULE

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Application received	03/12/21
Completeness review	04/08/21
Council Interrogatories <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Set-One Filed• Set-One responses due	TBD TBD
Pre-hearing tele-conference - 11:00 a.m.	04/28/21
Final Exchange of Interrogatories between Participants	05/11/21
Deadline for Pre-filed Testimony and Responses to Interrogatories	05/18/21
Deadline to request Party/Intervenor status	05/18/21
Public Hearing 2:00 p.m. evidentiary session and 6:30 p.m. public comment session via Zoom conferencing <i>(refer to Hearing Information section on Docket 499 project webpage for Zoom conferencing log in/call in)</i>	05/25/21
Continued Evidentiary Session(s)	TBD
Close of Evidentiary Record	05/25/21
Close of Public Comment Period	06/24/21
Draft Findings of Fact	07/15/21
Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion & Decision & Order	07/29/21
Deadline for Decision	08/09/21
90-day extension of Deadline for Decision per Emergency Orders, as extended	11/07/21

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