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July 27, 2007

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RE: **DOCKET NO. 342** - Optasite Towers LLC and Omnipoint Communications, Inc. application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 425 Litchfield Road, New Milford, Connecticut.

Dear Attorney Kohler & Attorney Larson:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) requests your responses to the enclosed questions no later than August 15, 2007. To help expedite the Council's review, please file individual responses as soon as they are available.

Please forward an original and 15 copies to this office and a .pdf file on a compact disc. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan, the Council is requesting that all filings be submitted on recyclable paper, primarily regular weight white office paper. Please avoid using heavy stock paper, colored paper, and metal or plastic binders and separators. Fewer copies of bulk material may be provided as appropriate.

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- 1. Did the Applicants receive return receipts for all adjacent landowners listed behind Tab F of the application? If not, was any additional effort made to make sure notice was received?
- 2. When did the Applicants first establish a search area for the proposed site? Provide a diagram depicting the initial search ring.
- 3. Referring to Tab G of the Application, provide the address, structure type, and corresponding antenna height of the following T-Mobile sites: CT 11362B, CT 11298A, CTNH369A.
- 4. What is the distance from the proposed site to each of the sites listed in Question 4?
- 5. Would blasting be required for the construction of the proposed site?
- 6. How many residences are within a 1,000-foot radius of the proposed tower?
- 7. What is the distance and direction of the nearest residence to the proposed site?
- 8. Provide the cost of the antennas and radio equipment.
- 9. Provide Omnipoint's Federal Communications Commission licensed frequency bands for this area.
- 10. What is T-Mobile's minimum signal level threshold for in-building and in-vehicle use?
- 11. Does Omnipoint intend to operate cellular and PCS equipment at this site? If yes, describe how the two systems interrelate.
- 12. What frequency was used to produce the coverage plots behind Tab G of the Application?
- 13. Provide coverage plots, using the scale of the plots behind Tab G, that depict coverage from the site (in isolation) from antenna heights of 137 feet, 127 feet, and 117 feet.
- 14. Does Omnipoint have any site drive test data or base line drive test data? If yes, please provide.
- 15. Provide an 11-inch x 17-inch copy of the "Viewshed Map" provided behind Tab J of the Application.
- 16. Would Optasite remove all vegetation within the lease area?



- 17. Would the site lease affect the use of the existing 50-foot wide right-of-way on the property?
- 18. Does T-Mobile currently use fuel cells as back up generators at any of its Connecticut tower sites? If yes, identify such sites?
- 19. Does T-Mobile plan to use a fuel cell at the proposed site or have any plans to install a fuel cell at any existing or future sites in Connecticut?