

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL**

IN RE:

APPLICATION OF OPTASITE TOWERS LLC
AND OMNIPOINT COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
FOR A CERTIFICATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL
COMPATIBILITY AND PUBLIC NEED FOR
THE CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND
OPERATION OF A TELECOMMUNICATIONS
FACILITY AT 425 LITCHFIELD ROAD,
NEW MILFORD, CONNECTICUT

DOCKET NO. 342

Date: AUGUST 31, 2007

PRE-FILED TESTIMONY OF RODNEY BASCOM, P.E.

Q1. Mr. Bascom, please state your name and position.

A. Rodney Bascom and I am a Civil Engineer at Clough Harbour & Associates, LLP ("CHA"). CHA is located at 2139 Silas Deane Highway, Suite 212, Rocky Hill, Connecticut.

Q2. Please state your qualifications.

A. I received a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from Clarkson University in 1982. I am a licensed civil engineer in the State of Connecticut. I have worked in the engineering field for over 24 years and have been employed by CHA for 22 years. I have managed and assisted in the permitting of more than 1,000 wireless telecommunications facilities in New England and New York.

Q3. Please describe your involvement in this matter.

A. CHA was responsible for designing and preparing the site plans for the proposed Facility including the site access plan, the compound plan and

tower elevation. In addition, CHA conducted a tree inventory of the site to determine the number of trees with a diameter of six inches or larger that would need to be removed for the construction of the site access driveway and compound.

Q4. Please describe the site.

A. The site is located at 425 Litchfield Road (also known as Route 202) in New Milford (the "Property"). The Property is zoned B-2 General Business and is located on Assessor's Map 80, Lot 1. The Property is 28.86 acres in size and is partially developed. The property is owned by the Estate of Edward J. Drzal. The Property contains a small farm stand and several unused accessory structures but large portions of the Property are undeveloped. The leased area is located in the central-western part of the Property. The Property is an ideal location for a telecommunications facility in this area due to its large size, existing vegetation and location in a commercial area.

Q5. Please describe the access driveway.

A. The access driveway will extend from Litchfield Road through the central portion of the Property. The access driveway would result in minimal land disturbance. The applicants will be utilizing an existing driveway for the first 205 feet of the proposed access driveway. The new portion of the access driveway will require the removal of three trees six inches in diameter or greater and will extend from the existing driveway 1,002 feet to the proposed compound.

Q6. Please describe the proposed Facility.

A. The proposed Facility would consist of a 140 foot monopole and associated equipment compound and access driveway. The compound area is 70 foot by 70 foot and will be fenced in with an eight foot high security fence and associated gate. The proposed Facility will accommodate antenna arrays and equipment for co-applicant Omnipoint Communications, Inc. ("T-Mobile"). In addition, the proposed Facility is able to accommodate antenna arrays and equipment for three additional carriers.

The statements above are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

8/31/07
Date

Rodney A. Bascom
Rodney A. Bascom, P.E.

Subscribed and sworn before me this 31st day of August, 2007.

By: Cathy A. Diana
Notary
CATHY A. DIANA
NOTARY PUBLIC
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 08/31/2012