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February 15, 2008

TO: Parties and Intervenors

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.

**DOCKET NO. 355** - 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 359 Litchfield Road,  
New Milford, Connecticut.

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The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) will hold a pre-hearing conference on procedural matters on Friday, February 22, 2008, in the Council's office, at Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut, beginning at 11:00 a.m. All parties and intervenors are requested to attend. The purpose of this pre-hearing conference is to expedite the hearing procedure without sacrificing an informative record necessary for the Council to render a decision.

At the conference, parties and intervenors will be encouraged to discuss requirements for pre-filed testimony, exhibit lists, administrative notice lists, expected witness lists, and the filing of pre-hearing interrogatories. To save the time and expense of the public, the Council wishes to avoid direct testimony at the hearing.

Each party and intervenor is requested to provide all other parties and intervenors in attendance a list of witnesses and the subjects their pre-filed testimony will address, a list of documents to be administratively noticed, and copies of any available exhibits to be offered at the hearing. The pre-hearing conference will also address the grouping of parties and intervenors and the order of presentations at the hearing.

Very truly yours,

S. Derek Phelps  
Executive Director

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Enclosures

1. Hearing Notice
2. Service List

**LIST OF PARTIES AND INTERVENORS**  
**SERVICE LIST**

<b>Status Granted</b>	<b>Status Holder (name, address &amp; phone number)</b>	<b>Representative (name, address &amp; phone number)</b>
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### HEARING NOTICE

Pursuant to provisions of General Statutes § 16-50m and Section 16-50j-21 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, notice is hereby given that the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, March 11, 2008, beginning at 3:00 p.m. and continued at 7:00 p.m., at the New Milford High School Cafeteria, 388 Danbury Road, New Milford, Connecticut and thereafter as necessary. The hearing will be on two applications filed with the Council for the development of a wireless telecommunications facility in the Northville section of New Milford. The first application, Docket 342, was filed by 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 located at 425 Litchfield Road, New Milford, Connecticut. The second application, Docket 355, was filed by Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 359 Litchfield Road, New Milford, Connecticut.

The purpose of the hearing is to hear evidence on the applicants' contentions that the public need for a facility outweighs any adverse environmental effects that would result from the construction, operation, or maintenance of a tower, equipment building, and access road. The 3:00 p.m. hearing session will provide the applicants, parties, and intervenors an opportunity to cross-examine positions. The applicants will be allowed a final rebuttal. Arguments will be entertained in writing after the close of the last hearing session. The 7:00 p.m. hearing session will be reserved for the public to make brief statements into the record. Cross-examination of parties and intervenors will resume, if necessary, after all statements have been heard.

The Council will conduct a public field review of the proposed Verizon Wireless site on Tuesday March 11, 2008, beginning at 2:00 p.m. at 395 Litchfield Road, New Milford, Connecticut. Verizon Wireless will fly a balloon, weather permitting, at the proposed site during the field review to simulate the height of the proposed tower.

Applicable law for this proceeding includes the Public Utility Environmental Standards Act, General Statutes § 16-50g, et seq., and Sections 16-50j-1 through 16-50v-1a of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.



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The Council will hold a pre-hearing conference on procedural matters on Wednesday, February 22, 2008, beginning at 11:00 a.m. at the Council's office, 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.

The Council requests that all testimony and exhibits be pre-filed with the Council and all parties and intervenors by March 4, 2008. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan, the Council requests 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.

Individuals will be encouraged to participate through their elected officials, and other party/intervenor groupings.

Any person seeking to be named or admitted as a party or intervenor to the proceeding may file a written request to be so designated at the office of the Connecticut Siting Council, 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut 06051, on or before March 4, 2008.

Parties and intervenors will be allowed to submit briefs and proposed findings of fact within 30 days after the close of the hearing.

Any person who is not a party or intervenor to this proceeding may file a written statement with the Council at the hearing or any time up to 30 days thereafter. Such statements will become part of the record. No written statement or any other material, evidence, or other information will be accepted from any person not a party or intervenor to the proceeding after 30 days following the close of the hearing, except as otherwise prescribed by law or the Council.

A verbatim transcript of the hearing session(s) will be made and deposited with the New Milford Town Hall for the convenience of the public.

Requests for information in alternative formats or for sign-language interpreter services must be submitted in writing by March 4, 2008.

The applicants of the proposed facilities are represented by the following:

**Applicants**

**Docket 342**

Optasite Towers LLC and  
Omnipoint Communications, Inc.

**Docket 355**

Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless

**Its Representative**

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A copy of each application is available for review at the Council's office during office hours at 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut, (860) 827-2935.

February 8, 2008

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