

**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 58 MONTANO ROAD/  
618 NEIPSIC ROAD IN THE TOWN OF  
GLASTONBURY, CONNECTICUT

DOCKET NO. 359

Date: JUNE 12, 2008

**PRE-FILED TESTIMONY OF RODNEY A. 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 25 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 at both Site A (58 Montano Road) and Site B (618 Neipsic Road) including the site access plan, the compound plan and tower elevation. In addition, CHA conducted a tree inventory of both sites to determine the number of trees with a diameter of 6 inches or larger that would need to be removed for the construction of the site access driveway and compound.

Q4. Please describe Site A.

A. Site A is located at 58 Montano Road in Glastonbury (the "Site A Property"). The Site A Property is zoned rural residential and is located on Assessor's Map G7, Block 4480, Lot S0021. The Property is 1.3 acres in size and is developed with a residence and associated outbuildings. The property is owned by Rose Marie Shaw. The leased area is located in the eastern portion of the Site A Property. The Site A Property is an ideal location for a telecommunications facility in this area due to its size, existing vegetation and location immediately adjacent to Route 2.

Q5. Please describe the access driveway to Site A.

A. The access driveway to Site A will extend from Montano Road along the northern portion of the Site A Property. The access driveway would result in minimal land disturbance and no tree removal. The Applicants will be installing a

new gravel driveway and will extend from Montano Road 334 feet to the proposed compound.

Q6. Please describe the proposed Facility at Site A.

A. The proposed Facility at Site A would consist of a 120-foot monopole and associated equipment compound and access driveway. The compound area is 50 foot by 50 foot and will be fenced in with an 8-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 and the Town of Glastonbury's emergency services equipment.

Q7. Please describe Site B.

A. Site B is located at 618 Neipsic Road (also known as 497A Wickham Road) in Glastonbury (the "Site B Property"). The Site B Property is zoned partially rural residential and partially AA residential (the tower itself is located in the AA residential portion of the Site B Property) and is located on Assessor's Map G7, Block 4740, Lot S0016. The Property is 12.15 acres in size and is developed with a residence and associated outbuildings. The property is owned by Joanne Sullivan LLC. The leased area is located in the western portion of the Site B Property. The Site B Property is an ideal location for a telecommunications facility in this area due to its size, existing vegetation and location immediately adjacent to Route 2.

Q8. Please describe the access driveway to Site B.


A. The access driveway to Site B will extend from Wickham Road Extension along the southern portion of the Site B Property. The access driveway would result in moderate land disturbance and a wetlands crossing. In addition, construction of the access driveway and compound will result in the removal of 53 trees 6 inches or greater in diameter. The Applicants will be installing a new gravel driveway and will extend from Wickham Road Extension 1,412 feet to the proposed compound.

Q6. Please describe the proposed Facility at Site B.

A. The proposed Facility at Site B would consist of a 130-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 8-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 and the Town of Glastonbury's emergency services equipment.

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

6/19/08  
Date

  
Rodney A. Bascom, P.E.

Subscribed and sworn before me this 9<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2008.

By:   
Notary  
**CATHY A. DIANA**  
**NOTARY PUBLIC**  
**MY COMMISSION EXPIRES JAN. 31, 2012**