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RE: **DOCKET NO. 359** - 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 58
Montano Road/618 Neipsic Road, Glastonbury, Connecticut.

Dear Attorney Knapp:

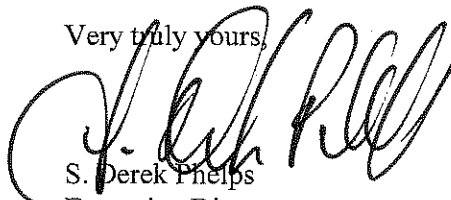
We are in receipt of your letter of April 18, 2008, requesting Party status for Karl Wagener in
Docket No. 359.

Your request will be placed on the next meeting agenda, a copy of which will be sent to you.
Your attendance is welcome, but is not required. You will be notified of the Council's
determination immediately thereafter.

Copies of the application are available at the Glastonbury Town Hall. All documents filed to
date are available at the Council's office or on our website.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,



S. Derek Phelps
Executive Director

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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 Telecommunicatons Facility)
at 58 Montano Road/618 Neipsic Road in the)
Town of Glastonbury, Connecticut)

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Docket No. 359

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REQUEST FOR PARTY STATUS

To: S. Derek Phelps, Executive Director
Connecticut Siting Council
Ten Franklin Square
New Britain, CT 06051

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Karl Wagener of 588 Neipsic Road, Glastonbury, CT 06033, hereby requests that the Connecticut Siting Council (the "Council") grant him party status in the above-captioned proceeding pursuant to Section 16-50n and Section 4-177a of the Connecticut General Statutes and Section 16-50j-14 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

Karl Wagener, as the long-time owner of a residence which will be most impacted by the location of the proposed tower at either of the locations, Site A or Site B, has a substantial interest that may be affected by the proceeding. Karl Wagener has resided at 588 Neipsic Road for 25 years and has skills and information which would be of specific importance to the Siting Council in the review of this application.

Specifically, Karl Wagener has made daily observations of the vegetation and wildlife of the affected area, with a specific emphasis on its birds.

Mr. Wagener has received certification from the Department of Environmental Protection, through its Backyard Habitat Conservation Program, and has submitted many sightings, as well as data for many bird censuses, to the Hartford Audubon Society, Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology, and other organizations for the area under discussion in this Docket. Mr. Wagener served 10 years as a member of the Glastonbury Conservation Commission, where he was instrumental in working with the Town of Glastonbury to preserve the ridgeline in this and other areas of Glastonbury. Mr. Wagener is also on the Board of Directors of the Kongscut Land Trust.

Karl Wagener requests party status in this Docket in order to monitor the proceedings by receiving filings and notices from the Council, the Applicant and other parties and intervenors. Karl Wagener also plans to participate in the proceedings by filing written and oral testimony, presenting expert witnesses and by cross-examining witnesses. Mr. Wagener's unique expertise in the natural history, ecology and habitat of this section of Glastonbury will assist the Council in resolving issues in this Docket and will not impair the orderly conduct of the proceedings.


Specifically, Mr. Wagener anticipates providing testimony to address the following:

1. Whether the placement of a monopole at this location conflicts with policies of the State concerning the natural environment, ecological balance, public health and safety, scenic, historic and recreational values, forests and parks, air and water purity and fish, aquiculture and wildlife, pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stats. § 16-50p (a)(3)(B).

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that a copy of the foregoing has been sent via email or first class mail, postage prepaid, on April 18, 2008, to:

Status Granted	Status Holder (name, address & phone number)	Representative (name, address & phone number)
Applicant	Optasite Towers, LLC and Omnipoint Communications, Inc.	Julie D. Kohler, Esq. Carrie L. Larson, Esq. Cohen & Wolf 1115 Broad Street Bridgeport, CT 06604 (203) 368-0211 (203) 394-9901 - fax jkohler@cohenandwolf.com clarson@cohenandwolf.com



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