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TO: Council Members

FROM: S. Derek Phelps, Executive Director

RE: **DOCKET NO. 367** – Celco 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 343 Daleville Road, Willington, Connecticut.

### I. Introduction

The application is from Celco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a 100-foot telecommunications facility and associated equipment in the Town of Willington, Connecticut. The facility would provide coverage to Route 44 and surrounding local roads in the southern section of Willington.

The proposed site is located on a 22-acre parcel at 343 Daleville Road. The parcel, located in a rural residential area, contains a single family residence and a horse farm.

### II. Technical

The application includes relevant maps, descriptions of the proposed prime and alternate site, costs, a description of the environmental effects of the proposed construction, and health and safety information. The application meets statutory technical requirements for processing the application. Council staff believes additional information can be obtained through pre-hearing interrogatories. This project would not require an outside consultant.

### III. Administrative Review

The applicant has stated that all service and filing requirements pursuant to General Statutes § 16-501 (b) have been fulfilled. The applicant stated that notice to the general public was published in the *Willimantic Chronicle*.

### IV. Procedural

The Council must schedule a hearing for the proceeding between 30 and 150 days after receipt of an application. The Council must also appoint a custodian of the docket and designate a place for the deposition of the transcript. Staff recommends designating Jessica Brito as custodian of the docket, holding the public hearing in the Town of Willington on December 11, 2008, and depositing the transcript in the Willington Town Hall.

V. Proposed Schedule

Application received	August 25, 2008
Completeness review	October 16, 2008
Pre-hearing Questions	<i>(tentative dates)</i>
• Set-One Filed	October 21, 2008
• Set-One responses due	November 12, 2008
• Set-Two Filed	November 17, 2008
• Set-Two responses due	December 1, 2008
Pre-hearing conference (10 a.m.)	November 19, 2008
Pre-filed testimony due	December 4, 2008
Deadline to request Party/Intervenor status	December 4, 2008
Field review (2 p.m.)	December 11, 2008
Hearing (3 p.m. and 7 p.m.)	December 11, 2008
Close of Record	January 12, 2009
Draft Findings of Fact	January 22, 2009 <i>(tentative)</i>
Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion & Decision & Order	February 5, 2009 <i>(tentative)</i>
Deadline for Decision	February 23, 2009
180-day extension date	August 20, 2009

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