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January 7, 2011

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RE: **DOCKET NO. 374** - 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 199 Town Farm Road, Farmington, Connecticut.

Dear Attorney Baldwin:


At a public meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council held on January 6, 2011, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) considered and approved the Development and Management (D&M) Plan submitted for this project on December 23, 2010.

This approval applies only to the D&M Plan submitted on December 23, 2010. Any changes to the D&M Plan require advance Council notification and approval.

Please be advised that deviations from this plan are enforceable under the provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50u. Enclosed is a copy of the staff report on this D&M Plan, dated January 6, 2011.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Very truly yours,

  
Daniel F. Caruso  
Chairman

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Enclosure: Staff Report, dated January 6, 2011

c: Parties and Intervenors  
The Honorable Mike Clark, Chairman Town Council, Town of Farmington  
Jeffrey Ollendorf (via e-mail service), Town Planner, Town of Farmington

**Docket 374**  
**Farmington – 199 Town Farm Road**  
**Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless**  
**Development and Management Plan**  
**Staff Report**  
**January 6, 2011**

On August 13, 2009, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) issued a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need to Cellco Partnership (Verizon) for the construction, maintenance and operation of a wireless telecommunications facility at 199 Town Farm Road in Farmington, Connecticut. In its decision, the Council specified that Verizon's tower was to be 110 feet in height and to be designed as a monopine with branches that would extend to an overall height of 117 feet. The Council's decision was appealed by two parties to the proceeding, Susan Edelson and Claude Brouillard. The Superior Court dismissed the appeal on October 7, 2010. Mr. Brouillard has challenged this dismissal in the Appellate Court. As required in the Council's Decision and Order, Verizon submitted a Development and Management (D&M) Plan for this facility on December 23, 2010.

Verizon's site is located on a 9.9-acre parcel owned by the Town of Farmington. The town leases the property to a farmer. Verizon is leasing a 100-foot by 100-foot area (10,000 square feet) in the southwestern portion of the property. Within its lease area, Verizon will construct a 60-foot by 60-foot compound to be enclosed by an eight-foot high chain link fence.

Verizon's tower is designed as a monopine and will be 112 feet tall and is designed in accordance with Rev. G of the ANSI/TIA-222 standard for steel towers. The overall height of the tower will extend to 117 feet with the artificial branches in place. The tower is designed to be extendable by twenty feet. Verizon will install fifteen antennas (five per sector) on T-arm mounts at a centerline height of 110 feet above ground level. Verizon will install its ground equipment inside a 12-foot by 24-foot equipment shelter. As described during the docket proceeding, Verizon will use propane gas to fuel its backup generator. A one thousand gallon propane tank will be installed inside the compound fence.

Vehicular access to the proposed facility will extend from Town Farm Road over an existing gravel driveway for a distance of approximately 120 feet and then over an upgraded gravel drive for approximately 540 feet to the proposed compound. Utilities will be extended overhead from an existing utility pole on Town Farm Road to a new pole to be installed at the entrance to the Town of Farmington property and then underground to Verizon's compound.

Verizon will install erosion and sedimentation controls consistent with the *2002 Connecticut Guidelines for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control* around the area where the compound will be developed. They will be kept in place during the construction period.

Verizon will create a drainage swale along the southerly side of its access drive and will grade the drive toward the swale.

The D&M plans as presented conform to the Council's Decision and Order and with the scope of the project described during this docket's proceedings.