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DATE: August 27, 2009

TO: Council Members

FROM: S. Derek Phelps, Executive Director

RE: **DOCKET NO. 382** – 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 off of Lane Street, Huntington (Shelton), Connecticut.

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I. Introduction

The application is from Celco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a 120-foot “stealth tree” telecommunications facility at the Harry B. Brownson Country Club in Shelton, Connecticut. The site would provide coverage and capacity relief to Route 108 and adjacent areas in the Huntington section of Shelton.

II. Technical

The application includes relevant maps, descriptions of the proposed 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 Connecticut Post on July 9 & 10, 2009.

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 Lisa Fontaine as custodian of the docket, holding the public hearing in the Town of Shelton on October 5, 2009, and depositing the transcript in the Shelton Town Hall.

V. Proposed Schedule

Application received	07/15/09
Completeness review	08/27/09
Council's Pre-hearing Questions	<i>(tentative)</i>
• Set-One Filed	09/01/09
• Set-One responses due	09/15/09
• Set-Two Filed	09/17/09
• Set-Two responses due	09/30/09
Pre-hearing conference (10:00 a.m.)	09/18/09
Interrogatory Exchange between Participants Deadline	09/23/09
Pre-filed testimony due	09/30/09
Deadline to request Party/Intervenor status	09/30/09
Field review (2:00 p.m.)	10/06/09
Hearing (3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.)	10/06/09
Close of Record	11/05/09
Draft Findings of Fact	11/19/09
Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion & Decision & Order	12/03/09
Deadline for Decision	01/11/10
180-day extension date	07/12/10

Siting Analyst: Robert Mercier

c: Lisa Fontaine, Connecticut Siting Council