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DATE:

December 18, 2009

TO:

Council Members

FROM:

S. Derek Phelps, Executive Director

RE:

DOCKET NO. 393 - T-Mobile North ast, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located 61-1 Buttonball Road,

Old Lyme, Connecticut.

I. Introduction

The application is from T-Mobile Northeast, LLC for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a 100-foot monopole telecommunications facility and associated equipment in the Town of Old Lyme, Connecticut. The facility would provide coverage to Buttonball Road and Route 156, just south of Interstate 95, and residential areas.

The proposed site is an approximately 2.53-acre parcel located at 61-1 Buttonball Road. The parcel is zoned light industrial (LI-80).

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 New London Day.

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 Old Lyme on Thursday, February 4, 2010, and depositing the transcript in the Old Lyme Town Hall.



V. Proposed Schedule

Application received	10/15/2009
Completeness review	12/18/2009
Pre-hearing Questions	
Set-One Filed	12/22/2009
Set-One responses due	01/05/2010
Set-Two Filed	01/12/2010
Set-Two responses due	01/26/2010
Joint Pre-hearing Conference D391, D392, D393(10 a.m.)	01/06/2010
Interrogatory Exchange between Participants	01/21/2010
Pre-filed testimony due	01/28/2010
Deadline to request Party/Intervenor status	01/28/2010
Joint Field Reviews D391, D392, D393 (begin 1:00 p.m.)	02/24/2010
Joint Hearing D391, D392, D393 (3:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.)	02/04/2010
Close of Record	03/08/2010
Draft Findings of Fact	03/11/2010
Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion & Decision & Order	03/25/2010
Deadline for Decision	04/13/2010
180-day extension date	10/11/2010

Michael Perrone Siting Analyst

c: Lisa Fontaine, Connecticut Siting Council