

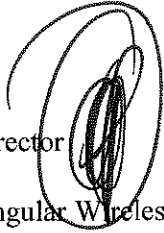


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DATE: December 17, 2009

TO: Council Members

FROM: S. Derek Phelps, Executive Director 

RE: **DOCKET NO. 394** - New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (AT&T) application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 933 Stillwater Pond Road, Torrington, Connecticut.

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I. Introduction

The application is from New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility and associated equipment at 933 Stillwater Pond Road in the Town of Torrington, Connecticut. The proposed site consist on a 180-foot monopole on a 97-acre parcel. The site would service Route 272 and surrounding areas in the western portion of Torrington.

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 Republican-American.

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 Torrington, on Tuesday, January 26, 2010, and depositing the transcript in the Torrington Town Hall.

V. Proposed Schedule

Application received	11/18/2009
Completeness review	12/17/2009
Pre-hearing Questions	
• Set-One Filed	12/29/2009
• Set-One responses due	01/12/2010
Pre-hearing conference (10:00 a.m.)	01/06/2010
Final Exchange of Interrogatories between Participants	01/12/2010
Pre-filed testimony due	01/19/2010
Deadline to request Party/Intervenor status	01/19/2010
Field review (2:00 p.m.)	01/26/2010
Hearing (3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.)	01/26/2010
Close of Record	02/25/2010
Draft Findings of Fact	03/11/2010
Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion & Decision & Order	03/25/2010
Deadline for Decision	05/17/2010

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