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INTERVENOR STATUS REQUEST FORM**

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Docket/Petition No. 396

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1. Manner in which petitioner claims to be substantially and specifically affected:

I represent the Pondcliff Condominium Association which is situated on a 80 acre of land located at 97 West Main St, Niantic, CT. The Association wishes to offer as an alternate site for the Cell Tower proposed in Docket No. 396 on a 40 acre piece of unused/unimproved woodland on the Association's property. This parcel meets all of the criteria specified for the proposed 49 Brainerd Rd. location and is within a half-mile of the 49 Brainerd Rd site. The acceptable radius for siting the tower as specified within the Application encompasses this land. The location will not affect as many homeowners as the Brainard Rd site due to the more favorable sightlines and is at an elevation of 120 feet above sea level. Due to the much higher starting elevation a shorter tower could be constructed thereby reducing the environmental impact. This property was never considered for placement of this Cell Tower as part of the SBA Tower II requirements to consider alternative locations.

2. Manner and extent to which petitioner proposes to participate:

I will present a Professional Engineer's report and drawings as evidence which will address the issues of suitability of the Condominium Association land for the siting of this tower.



Copies of this request shall be mailed to all participants at least five (5) business days before the date of the hearing.

Signed Joseph Rana

Date: 1-12-2010