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RE: **Post-Construction Report - DOCKET NO. 400** – American Tower Corporation Certificate of

Environmental Compatibility and Public need for the construction, maintenance and operation of

a telecommunications facility located at 343 Daleville Road, Willington, Connecticut.

On July 29, 2010, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) issued a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need to Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless (Cellco) for the construction of a 105-foot monopole telecommunications facility located on a 22-acre property at 343 Daleville Road in Willington. The Development and Management (D&M) Plan was approved by the Council on January 6, 2011. On December 12, 2013, the Council approved a transfer of Certificate to Construction Services Towers, LLC (CST). On March 13, 2015, the Council approved a transfer of Certificate to American Tower Corporation (ATC). The Council approved four different extensions of time to complete the site: December 1, 2011, October 5, 2012, December 13, 2013, and April 14, 2014.

CST constructed the facility in 2014. CST notified the Council on October 29, 2014 that the site was activated on June 1, 2014 and that site construction was completed on June 20, 2014. After the Certificate was transferred to ATC, ATC sent its own construction completion letter to the Council on February 13, 2015, indicating the site was fully functional as of May 29, 2014.

A field review of the site was conducted on June 27, 2014. The facility site is located on a small knoll in the center of the parcel. The parcel contains a single family residence, pasture, and woodland. Access to the facility uses an existing driveway to the residence and a new 500-foot long gravel driveway that extends through a horse paddock to the facility compound.

The 105-foot monopole is located within a 44-foot by 60-foot equipment fenced compound. Within the compound, Cellco installed a 12-foot by 24-foot equipment shelter and a 1,000 gallon propane tank for an emergency generator contained within the shelter. Although bollards depicted on the site plan near the propane tank were not installed, the tank is within the fenced compound area, minimizing the risk of vehicle impact. Cellco installed 12 panel antennas at the 102-foot level of the tower.

As predicted in the visibility analysis, views on the facility are essentially nonexistent from area roads due to the low height of the tower and the heavily wooded, hilly terrain of the surrounding area.

At the time of inspection in 2014, it appeared compound and tower construction was completed with the exception of the bollards. Areas adjacent to the access road were not seeded and silt fencing was in place. A wood debris disposal area was located on a slope north of the site compound but this area was not noted within the D&M Plan. Furthermore, the landlord requested that this debris be removed from his property. After the field inspection, Council staff contacted CST regarding final site cleanup. In October 2014, CST contacted Council staff indicating final cleanup was complete.



Site - 343 Daleville Road, Willington. 105-foot monopole. (May 2015 google earth image)



Aerial view of compound area. (May 2015 google earth image)



Compound area, west corner.



Compound, northeast side.



Access road through horse paddock.



Cellco antenna array.