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RE:

DOCKET NO. 408 - New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 95 Balance Rock Road, Hartland, Connecticut.

Dear Attorney Fisher:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) requests your responses to the enclosed questions no later than December 22, 2010. To help expedite the Council's review, please file individual responses as soon as they are available.

Please forward an original and 15 copies, and a .pdf file to this office. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan, the Council is requesting that all filings be submitted on recyclable paper, primarily regular weight white office paper. Please avoid using heavy stock paper, colored paper, and metal or plastic binders and separators. Fewer copies of bulk material may be provided as appropriate.

Yours very truly,

Linda Roberts
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Docket 408: New Cingular Wireless PCS LLC Hartland, Connecticut Pre-Hearing Interrogatories, Set One

- 1. What is AT&T's minimum signal level threshold for in-building and in-vehicle use?
- 2. What is the current signal strength in the proposed service area? Does AT&T have any dropped calls/ineffective attempt statistics for the proposed service area? If so, please provide.
- 3. Does AT&T intend to operate other wireless systems (PCS, LTE) besides cellular at the proposed site? If so, explain the main functions of each system and how systems interact. Provide PCS coverage plots, if applicable, using the scale and thresholds in Application Attachment 1, that depicts the following:
 - a) coverage from existing/approved AT&T sites; and
 - b) coverage from existing/approved AT&T sites and the proposed site.
- 4. Identify the amount of cellular and PCS coverage (square miles) provided by the proposed site.
- 5. Please provide a copy of AT&T's Power Density Report, dated June 10, 2010.
- 6. Approximately when did AT&T establish a search ring for the site? Did the search area shift over time to account for changes in technology or the development of adjacent sites? Approximately when did AT&T begin discussion with the town regarding the proposed search area?
- 7. Provide separate coverage plots, using the scale and thresholds in Application Attachment 1, that depicts coverage from the existing AT&T sites and the proposed site at antenna heights of 170 feet and 150 feet.
- 8. Is it possible to develop an alternative tower site in the northeastern portion of the parcel? If not, why not? If yes, provide a diagram that depicts the layout of an access road and compound location.
- 9. Referring to the Site Search Summary (Application Attachment 2), what tower heights were examined for properties # 2, 4, and 8? Provide a coverage plot (cellular) from each of these properties at the heights examined.
- 10. Referring to the Site Search Summary, did Property #3 meet coverage objectives? If so, at what height?
- 11. Provide the appropriate legal reference that excludes Class I & II watershed lands from tower development. Did AT&T contact the Metropolitan District Commission regarding the potential availability of non-Class I & II watershed properties in the area?



- 12. Does the church steeple located at 100 Granville Road in Hartland accommodate any telecommunication providers, including AT&T? If so, what carriers are located here?
- 13. What were the specific requests of the Planning and Zoning Commission that resulted from the August 16, 2010 Public Information Meeting?
- 14. In Application Attachment 4, the visibility summary states year-round views would be limited to distant locations, totaling 1.9-acres. Is this statement accurate? What is the acreage of near-views from the two properties immediately south of the site?
- 15. Would AT&T's proposed facility comply with recommended United States Fish and Wildlife Service guidelines for minimizing potential impacts to bird species? Please explain.
- 16. In Application Attachment 6, the NT Submission Packet contains a Public Notice concerning a facility in Cornwall. Was one prepared and submitted to a newspaper for this site? If so, please provide. Is such notice required by the Federal Communications Commission?

Date: November 19, 2010

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