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TO: Council Members

FROM: Linda Roberts, Executive Director *LR*

RE: **DOCKET NO. 416** - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located off Day Hill Road, Bloomfield, Connecticut.

I. Introduction

The application is from Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility, which would include a 110-foot tall monopole tower, and associated equipment in the Town of Bloomfield, Connecticut.

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 § 16-50j (b) have been fulfilled. The applicant stated that notice to the general public was published in the Hartford Courant.

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 Bloomfield on Tuesday, June 7, 2011, and depositing the transcript in the Bloomfield and Windsor Town Halls.

V. Proposed Schedule

Application received	02/14/11
Completeness review	03/17/11
Pre-hearing Questions	
• Set-One Filed	03/18/11
• Set-One responses due	04/12/11
• Set-Two Filed	04/15/11
• Set-Two responses due	05/03/11
Pre-hearing conference (10:00 a.m.)	05/11/11
Final Exchange of Interrogatories between Participants	05/24/11
Pre-filed testimony due	05/31/11
Deadline to request Party/Intervenor status	05/31/11
Field review (2:00 p.m.)	06/07/11
Hearing (3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.)	06/07/11
Close of Record	07/07/11
Draft Findings of Fact	07/08/11
Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion & Decision & Order (FCC Deadline 150 days)	07/29/11
Deadline for Decision (180 days)	08/15/11
180-day extension date	02/09/11

Siting Analyst: David Martin

c: Lisa Fontaine, Connecticut Siting Council