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RE: **DOCKET NO. 427** – North Atlantic Towers, LLC and 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 one of two sites: 171 Short Beach Road, Branford, or 82 Short Beach Road, East Haven, Connecticut.

Dear Attorneys Chiochio and Fisher:

The current deadline for the above-mentioned docket is October 22, 2012. Due to the need for a continued hearing and the statutory requirement for a 30-day comment period following the close of the hearing, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) will need additional time to render a decision. Connecticut General Statute § 16-50p(a) provides, in part, that the Council's decision shall be rendered, "Not later than one hundred eighty days after the filing of an application for" a telecommunications tower "provided such time period may be extended by the Council by not more than one hundred eighty days with the consent of the applicant." The Council hereby requests such consent for an additional extension of the decision deadline until January 31, 2013.

The applicant's consent to the requested extension of time shall have the effect of tolling the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) 150-day tower siting timeframe in accordance with Paragraph 49 of the FCC Declaratory Ruling issued on November 18, 2009 (FCC WT Docket No. 08-165).

We thank you in advance for your timely response to this matter.

Sincerely,

Linda Roberts
Executive Director

c: Parties and Intervenors