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DATE: August 9, 2012

TO: Council Members

FROM: Linda Roberts, Executive Director 

RE: **DOCKET NO. 429** - New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (AT&T) 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: Willington Tax Assessor Parcel ID #M23-P62 Tolland Turnpike, Willington, Connecticut; or Willington Tax Assessor Parcel ID #M18-19 Old South Willington Road, Willington, Connecticut.

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I. Introduction

The application is from New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (AT&T) for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility and associated equipment in the Town of Willington, Connecticut.

II. Technical

The application includes relevant maps, descriptions of two alternate sites, 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 § 16-501 (b) have been fulfilled. The applicant stated that notice to the general public was published in the Willimantic Chronicle.

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 Carriann Mulchay as custodian of the docket, holding the public hearing in the Town of Willington on Thursday, October 11, 2012, and depositing the transcript in the Willington Town Hall.

V. Proposed Schedule

Application received	07/24/12
Completeness review	08/09/12
Pre-hearing Questions	
• Set-One Filed	08/10/12
• Set-One responses due	08/31/12
• Set-Two Filed	09/16/12
• Set-Two responses due	09/26/12
Pre-hearing conference (10:00 a.m.)	09/19/12
Final Exchange of Interrogatories between Participants	09/27/12
Pre-filed testimony due	10/04/12
Deadline to request Party/Intervenor status	10/04/12
Field review (2:00 p.m.)	10/11/12
Hearing (3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.)	10/11/12
Close of Record	11/13/12
Draft Findings of Fact	11/16/12
Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion & Decision & Order (FCC Deadline 150 days)	12/14/12
Deadline for Decision (180 days)	01/07/13

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