

## Attachment 6

October 4, 2010

**VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS**

Hon. Christina B. Mailhos, First Selectman  
Town of Willington  
Town Office Building  
40 Old Farms Road  
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Phone: (860) 487-3100

Re: AT&T  
Proposed Wireless Telecommunications Tower Facility  
Tolland Turnpike and Old South Willington Road Candidate Sites  
Willington, Connecticut

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Dear First Selectman Mailhos:

We are writing to you on behalf of our client, New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC ("AT&T") with respect to the above captioned matter involving a proposed wireless telecommunications tower facility at one of two candidate sites identified by AT&T. One candidate site is accessed from Tolland Turnpike and the other from Old South Willington Road and both are in the Town of Willington. Only one site is needed by AT&T and as such only one facility would be built. You may recall that the Willington Conservation Commission previously expressed their concern regarding potential views of the Tolland Turnpike candidate from the Willington Common. Subsequently AT&T continued its investigation and identified the second candidate near Old South Willington Road as an alternate candidate.

As you know, jurisdiction over such facilities rests exclusively with the State of Connecticut Siting Council pursuant to Section 16-50i and x of the Connecticut General Statutes. Section 16-50i(e) of the Connecticut General Statutes does nevertheless require that AT&T consult with a municipality prior to such an application being filed with the Siting Council. The purpose of such local consultation is to give the municipality in which a facility has been proposed an opportunity to provide the applicant with any recommendations or preferences it may have prior to the applicant's filing of an application. As set forth in the statute, any such recommendations must be issued by the municipality within sixty days of its receipt of technical information concerning the proposed facility from the applicant.

The purpose of this letter is to formally notify you of the proposed Facility in the Town of Willington and commence the sixty day consultation period that is required prior to AT&T's filing of any application with the Siting Council. Enclosed are two copies of a "Technical Report" for your review and consideration that includes information about the need for the proposed tower Facility, a summary of the site selection process and the environmental effects of

a tower that has been proposed. The enclosed Technical Report also includes information provided by AT&T regarding its lack of service in this area of the State and how the proposed facility would integrate into its network. We trust that this information will prove helpful to you and others in Willington in formulating any recommendations you may have about the proposal.

We would appreciate the opportunity to meet with you to review the Technical Report and will follow this letter with a call to schedule such a meeting to discuss the proposed facility at your convenience. Additionally, should Willington elect to conduct a public meeting about the proposal during the consultation period, we would ask that you let us know at your earliest convenience so that we may have representatives available to discuss the project.

Thank you for your consideration of this letter and its enclosures. We look forward to meeting with you.

Very truly yours,



Daniel M. Laub

Enclosures

cc w/ enclosure:

Michelle Briggs, AT&T  
David Vivian, SAI Communications  
Christopher B. Fisher, Esq.

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11-10-10

RE: Proposed Wireless Telecommunications Tower Facility  
Tolland Turnpike/Old South Willington Road, Willington, CT

To whom it may concern:

I request the Commission formally request the Siting Council to reconsider the location of the Telecommunications Tower proposed for Willington.

Proposed site A, located off state Route 74 is within an area primarily commercial and industrial uses on a state highway. The construction of a 160-foot tower on site A would reduce transmission gaps along State Route 74.

Proposed Site B, located on Old South Willington Road, is within a rural residential neighborhood and on a dirt road. The construction of a 190-foot tower on Old South Willington Road would appear to be less effective, and close significantly smaller gaps in the same area. The proposed driveway access for the site on Old South Willington is in excess of 12% and will likely create additional storm water runoff issues. Construction and truck traffic will increase Town road maintenance expense on one of its last dirt roads.

There is an existing access way that runs along the western portion of the proposed Site B - Old South Willington road. I suggest the Siting Council offer to improve the existing access roadway, in exchange for a right-of-way. The property owner would benefit by an improvement to his access way. The Telecommunications Company would see a reduction in the cost of improvements. The Town would benefit from an existing storm water problem being improved and an additional road cut being avoided. Lastly, the land itself would benefit since the extension of the access way to the proposed Tower site would follow the contours of the land. If site B were selected, the Commission would encourage a shared driveway.

While we certainly appreciate and want to preserve our historic district, after reviewing the view shed photos, we think the impact is minuscule. In reviewing the two proposed sites, it seems ludicrous to us that the Tower should be located anywhere other than Tolland Turnpike.

Sincerely,  
Matthew O. Ellis

Matthew O. Ellis Chairman, Planning and Zoning Commission  
Town of Willington

November 30, 2010

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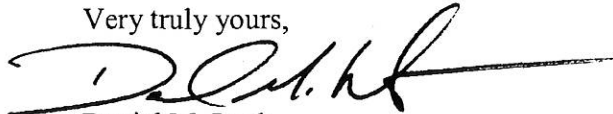
Dear First Selectman Mailhos:

I am writing to you on behalf of our client New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC ("AT&T") with respect to the above captioned matter and the Technical Report submitted to your office in October.

As per our phone conversation and subsequent email correspondence, I and AT&T's real estate consultant, David Vivian, will meet with you and other Town officials this coming Thursday at 10:00 a.m. at the Town of Willington Offices at 40 Old Farms Road. Thereafter we can all proceed to the candidate site locations for a field review as requested. We have coordinated with our engineering consultants to have the access and compound areas at the candidate sites staked and marked for your review.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter. We look forward to meeting with you.

Very truly yours,



Daniel M. Laub

cc:  
Susan Yorgensen, Town of Willington Land Use Agent  
Michelle Briggs, AT&T  
David Vivian, SAI Communications  
Christopher B. Fisher, Esq.

May 31, 2012

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Dear First Selectman Mailhos:

I am writing to you on behalf of our client New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC ("AT&T") as a follow up to our conversation regarding the above referenced sites.

As you will recall, AT&T submitted an application to the Siting Council for the construction and operation of a telecommunications facility at one of two candidate sites - either Tolland Turnpike or Old South Willington Road ("Candidate Sites"). Due to unforeseen circumstances, AT&T withdrew its Siting Council application without prejudice on June 24, 2011.

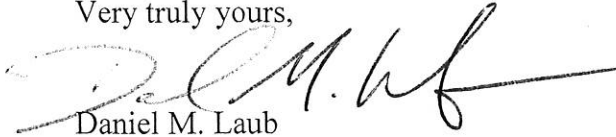
We are now preparing to resubmit an application to the Siting Council for a facility at one of the Candidate Sites. As before we will include the Town's preference for the Tolland Turnpike site. In the meantime we are also reaching out to the property owner adjacent to the Old South Willington Road site to determine their interest in a potential alternate access route previously suggested by the Town utilizing the driveway at 54 Old South Willington Road.

Again, the substantive elements of the application all previously reviewed by the Town have not changed. Accordingly, and as per our discussion, we respectfully request a waiver of the technical consultation process set forth under Section 16-501(e) of the Connecticut General Statutes. This provision requires AT&T to consult with a municipality prior to such an application being filed with the Siting Council.

Again no substantive changes are being made to the application which was previously withdrawn and we are incorporating the Town's prior comments and preferences into the application. At this time we are seeking to file the application by the end of June which would likely allow the Siting Council to schedule a public hearing in Town in either September or October and a decision before the year's end. As requested I am enclosing five (5) full sized sets of drawings for the Candidate Sites in support of this request.

I will follow up this letter with a call next week to see if you have any questions or require anything further. Thank you once again for your time and consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours,



Daniel M. Laub

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July 10, 2012

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Dear Attorney Laub,

The Town of Willington acknowledges that it was provided various technical information by AT&T as part of its review of a Technical Report submitted in October of 2010. The proposal was reviewed, a site walk conducted and recommendations from the Planning & Zoning Commission were issued. That report was the basis of an application made to the Siting Council which was later withdrawn. We have received the latest revised drawings of the candidate sites and since the proposal of the project as originally consulted in the Fall of 2010 has not changed and the candidates remain in the same locations and configuration as before further consultation is unnecessary.

However, because of the proximity to our Historic District, the Town of Willington respectfully requests that the Siting Council add an "ultimate height" stipulation of 160 feet so that height cannot be added in the future.

Sincerely,



Christina B. Mailhos  
First Selectman

C: R. Chinchilla, Chairman Willington Historic District  
R. Shabot, President, Willington Historical Society  
B. Littell, Selectman  
J. Blessington, Selectman