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February 13, 2013

TO: Parties & Intervenors
State Agencies pursuant to C.G.S. § 16-50j(h)
Telecommunications Carriers

FROM: Linda Roberts, Executive Director *LR/MAB*

RE: **DOCKET NO. 434** – 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 relocated telecommunications facility at 139 North Main Street, West Hartford, Connecticut.

Enclosed please find a copy of the Council's notice of public hearing.

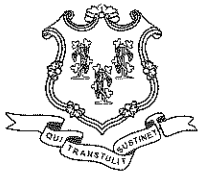
Pursuant to General Statutes §16-50j(h), the Connecticut Siting Council hereby solicits state agency written comments and consultation. A response on or before April 18, 2013, will be appreciated. A copy of the application with location maps has previously been provided to you, pursuant to General Statutes § 16-50i. You may access the application and other documents from this proceeding on our website at www.ct.gov/csc under the link "Pending Proceedings."

In furtherance of the state tower sharing policy pursuant to C.G.S. §16-50aa, we ask that each telecommunications carrier affirmatively state whether that carrier would likely seek to be located on this proposed facility at any time within the foreseeable future. If any carrier would like to participate in this proceeding, a response on or before April 18, 2013, will be appreciated.

LR/cm

Enclosure (1)

c: Secretary of the State (via e-mail service)
Melanie A. Bachman, Staff Attorney
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HEARING NOTICE

Pursuant to provisions of General Statutes § 16-50m and Section 16-50j-21 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, notice is hereby given that the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) will conduct a public hearing on Thursday, April 25, 2013, beginning at 3:00 p.m., and continued at 7:00 p.m., at the West Hartford Town Hall, Room 314, 50 South Main Street, West Hartford, Connecticut, and thereafter as necessary. The hearing will be on an application from Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a relocated telecommunications facility at 139 North Main Street, West Hartford, Connecticut.

The purpose of the hearing is to hear evidence on the applicant's contentions that the public need for the facility outweighs any adverse environmental effects that would result from the construction, operation, or maintenance of a tower, ground equipment, and access road. The 3:00 p.m. hearing session will provide the applicant, parties, and intervenors an opportunity to cross-examine positions. The 7:00 p.m. hearing session will be reserved for the public to make brief statements into the record. Cross-examination of parties and intervenors will resume, if necessary, after all statements have been heard.

The Council will conduct a public field review of the proposed site on Thursday, April 25, 2013, beginning at 2:00 p.m. The applicant will fly a balloon during the field review to simulate the height of the proposed facility, weather permitting.

Applicable law for this proceeding includes the Public Utility Environmental Standards Act, General Statutes § 16-50g, et seq., and Sections 16-50j-1, et seq., of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

The Council directs that all testimony and exhibits be pre-filed with the Council and all parties and intervenors by April 18, 2013. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan, the Council requests that all filings be submitted on recyclable paper. Please avoid using heavy stock paper, colored paper, and metal or plastic binders and separators.

Individuals are encouraged to participate through their elected officials, and other party/intervenor groupings.

Any person seeking to be named or admitted as a party or intervenor to the proceeding may file a written request to be so designated at the office of the Connecticut Siting Council, 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut 06051, on or before April 18, 2013.

Parties and intervenors will be allowed to submit briefs and proposed findings of fact within 30 days after the close of the hearing.



Any person who is not a party or intervenor to this proceeding may file a written statement with the Council up to 30 days after the close of the hearing. Such statements will become part of the record. No written statement or any other material, evidence, or other information will be accepted from any person not a party or intervenor to the proceeding after 30 days following the close of the hearing, except as otherwise prescribed by law or the Council.

A verbatim transcript of the hearing session(s) will be made and deposited with the Town Clerk's Office of the West Hartford Town Hall for the convenience of the public.

Requests for information in alternative formats or for sign-language interpreter services must be submitted in writing by April 18, 2013.

The applicant of this facility is represented by the following:

Applicant

Cellco Partnership
d/b/a Verizon Wireless

Its Representative

Kenneth C. Baldwin, Esq.
Robinson & Cole LLP
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A copy of the application is available for review at the Council's office during office hours at 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut, (860) 827-2935 or on Council website at <http://www.ct.gov/csc> under the link "Pending Proceedings." The Council has assigned this application docket no. 434.

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