

# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

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TO: Council Members

FROM: Linda Roberts, Executive Director

RE: **DOCKET NO. 436** – Message Center Management, Inc. 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: 465 Hills Street or 56

Hills Street, East Hartford, Connecticut.

#### I. Introduction

The application is from Message Center Management, Inc. and New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility and associated equipment in the Town of East Hartford, Connecticut.

The proposed Site A facility consists of a 100-foot monopine tower located on a 11.9-acre parcel located at 465 Hills Street, East Hartford. The proposed Site B facility consists of a 100-foot monopine tower and located on a 5.38-acre parcel located at 56 Hills Street, East Hartford.

#### II. Technical

The application includes relevant maps, descriptions of Site A and Site B, 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 prehearing 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 § 16-50½ (b) have been fulfilled. The applicant stated that notice to the general public was published in the <u>Journal Inquirer</u>.

## 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 Mulcahy as custodian of the docket, holding the public hearing in the Town of East Hartford on June 6, 2013, and depositing the transcript in the East Hartford Town Hall.

# V. Proposed Schedule

Application received	02/14/2013
Completeness review	03/16/2013
Pre-hearing Questions	
Set-One Filed	03/18/2013
Set-One responses due	04/08/2013
Set-Two Filed	04/15/2013
Set-Two responses due	05/06/2013
Pre-hearing conference (10:00 a.m.)	05/07/2013
Final Exchange of Interrogatories between Participants	05/23/2013
Pre-filed testimony due	05/30/2013
Deadline to request Party/Intervenor status	05/30/2013
Field review (2:00 p.m.)	06/06/2013
Hearing (3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.)	06/06/2013
Close of Record	07/06/2013
Draft Findings of Fact	07/11/2013
Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion & Decision & Order	07/25/2013
Deadline for Decision	08/13/2013

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