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RE: **DOCKET NO. 437** – 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 111 Second Hill Road, Bridgewater, Connecticut.

Dear Attorneys Laub and Fisher:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) requests your responses to the enclosed questions no later than May 23, 2013. To help expedite the Council's review, please file individual responses as soon as they are available.

Please forward an original and 15 copies to this office and a PDF version to be filed electronically. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan, the Council is requesting that all filings be submitted on recyclable paper, primarily regular weight white office paper. Please avoid using heavy stock paper, colored paper, and metal or plastic binders and separators. Fewer copies of bulk material may be provided as appropriate.

Yours very truly,

Melanie Bachman

Acting Executive Director

c: Council Members Parties and Intervenors



Docket No. 437 Pre-Hearing Questions - AT&T

- 1. Provide a diagram showing the search ring for this site.
- 2. Are the tower coordinates within Application Tab 3 correct? If not, please revise.
- 3. Were return receipts received for each abutting landowner identified behind Tab 9 of the application? If not, list the abutters that did not receive notice and describe any additional effort to serve notice. When was the abutter list compiled?
- 4. What is the status of the DEEP filing described on Application page 15?
- 5. What is the existing signal strength in those areas AT&T is seeking to cover from this site? How is service affected by this level of coverage?
- 6. The coverage plots behind Application Tab 1 do not match the corresponding narrative. Please submit revised coverage plots with a larger scale that depict:
 - a) Coverage from existing/recently approved sites;
 - b) Coverage from the proposed site with existing/recently approved sites. Please use a different color code for coverage from existing and recently approved sites.
 - c) Coverage from the proposed site at 130 feet with existing/recently approved sites. Please use a different color code for coverage from existing and recently approved sites.
- 7. What is the minimum antenna centerline height required to meet AT&T's coverage objectives?
- 8. Would exterior flush-mounted antennas provide the required coverage? Would this configuration result in reduced coverage, hinder future technological upgrades and/or necessitate greater antenna height? Please explain.
- 9. How many hours of run time would the generator have based on its fuel tank capacity?
- 10. Does AT&T anticipate the use of the backup generator as a temporary power source until permanent electrical service is provided?
- 11. Would any blasting be required to develop the site?
- 12. Would the proposed facility comply with recommended guidelines of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service for minimizing the potential for telecommunications towers to impact bird species? Please explain.
- 13. Identify the safety standards and/or codes by which equipment, machinery, or technology would be used or operated at the proposed facility.
- 14. Pursuant to CGS §16-500, provide a copy of the lease agreement for the site.