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RE: DOCKET NO. 445 - Homeland Towers, LLC 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 Ridgefield Town Assessor Map Parcel #D08-124, southwest of the intersection of Old Stagecoach Road and Aspen Ledges Road, Ridgefield, Connecticut.

Dear Attorneys Fisher and Laub:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) received the application for the above-referenced telecommunications facility on February 18, 2014.

According to Section 16-50j-1a of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, "no certificate of environmental compatibility and public need shall be granted to any person until a complete application containing all information deemed relevant by the Council has been filed."

Staff has reviewed this application for completeness and has identified a deficiency in notice to the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority (PURA). Pursuant to Section 16-50j of the Connecticut General Statutes, "each application shall be accompanied by proof of service of a copy of such application on: ... (5) each state department, agency and commission named in subsection (h) of section 16-50j." PURA is a state agency named in subsection (h) of section 16-50j.

Therefore, the application is incomplete at this time. The Council recommends that the applicant provide proof of service of a copy of the application on PURA in accordance with C.G.S. §16-50j on or before February 28, 2014.

The Council's request for proof of service of a copy of the application on PURA shall have the effect of tolling the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) 150-day tower siting timeframe in accordance with Paragraph 53 of the FCC Declaratory Ruling issued on November 18, 2009 (FCC WT Docket No. 08-165) and the FCC Order on Reconsideration adopted on August 3, 2010 (FCC 10-144).

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 860-827-2951.

Sincerely,

Melanie A. Bachman
Acting Executive Director/Staff Attorney

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Cc: Ray Vergati, Homeland Towers, LLC

