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STATE OF CONNECTICUT CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

Docket No. 448

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 Telecommunications Facility

Located at 831 Derby Milford Road, Orange,

Connecticut

Continued Public Hearing held at the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut, Tuesday, August 12, 2014, beginning at 1:00 p.m.

Held Before:

ROBERT STEIN, Chairman

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1 A p p e a r a n c e s: 2 Council Members: 3 JAMES J. MURPHY, JR., 4 Vice Chairperson 5 PHILIP T. ASHTON 6 DR. MICHAEL W. KLEMENS 7 DANIEL P. LYNCH, JR. 8 9 LARRY LEVESQUE, 10 PURA Designee 11 12 Council Staff: 13 MELANIE BACHMAN, ESQ., 14 Executive Director and 15 Staff Attorney 16 ROBERT MERCIER 17 Siting Analyst 18 19 For Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon 20 Wireless: 21 ROBINSON & COLE, LLP 22 280 Trumbull Street 23 Hartford, Connecticut 06103 24 By: KENNETH BALDWIN, ESQ.	THE CHAIRMAN: Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen. I'd like to call to order the meeting of the Siting Council today, Tuesday, August 12, 2014 at one p.m. My name is Robin Stein. I'm Chairman of the Siting Council. The hearing today is a continuation of the hearing that was held on July 17, 2014, at the Shelton City Hall Auditorium, in Shelton. It was held pursuant to the provisions of Title 16 of the Connecticut General Statutes and of the Uniform Administrative Procedure Act, upon 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 Telecommunication Facility Located at 831 Derby Milford Road, in Orange, Connecticut. This application was received by the Council on May 13, 2014. A verbatim transcript will be made of this hearing and deposited with the clerk's office in the
25	Orange Town Hall and the Shelton City Hall
Page 167 A p p e a r a n c e s (Cont'd:) For the Intervenors: BERCHEM, MOSES & DEVLIN, P.C. 1221 Post Road East Westport, Connecticut 06880 By: MARIO F. COPPOLA, ESQ. By: By: By: By: By: By: By: By: By: By	for the convenience of the public. We will proceed in accordance with the prepared agenda, copies of which are available on the table back there. We have a second motion for continuance dated August 5, 2014, from the Intervenors. Attorney Bachman, do you wish to comment? MS. BACHMAN: Thank Mr. Chairman. The second motion for a continuance was filed on August 5th and it was to continue the date and time of this hearing. And since we are here now and we are in the proceeding, I believe this motion is moot at this point. THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you. The Council also has added one item to its administrative notice list, which is listed as Roman Numeral I, D, Item 49, Cisco Systems, Inc, Global Mobile Data Traffic Forecast Document. Does the party or Intervenor have any objection? MR. COPPOLA: No,

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       Mr. Chairman.
                                                                 listed in the hearing program under Roman II,
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                THE CHAIRMAN: Seeing and
                                                                 Subsection B, Items 8 through 12. I also
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       hearing none, this is administratively
                                                                 handed out this morning and gave copies to
                                                                 the Intervenors, copies of Mr. Talmadge's
       noticed.
                                                                 resume. He was a late addition to our panel.
                We will continue with the
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                                                                 so I brought his resume with me today.
       appearance of the Applicant to swear in their
       new witnesses. I believe it's Douglas
                                                                          We also submitted a
       Talmadge and Juan Latorre to verify the
                                                                 replacement page, or I should say an
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       exhibits marked as Roman numeral II, item B8
                                                                 additional page to what is listed in the
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       through 12 on the hearing program.
                                                                 hearing program as Cellco's Exhibit 9, behind
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                And Attorney Bachman will
                                                                 Attachment 2, page 2. This is Section 6, if
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       swear in the witnesses.
                                                                 you will, under the capacity discussion.
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                                                                          We noticed in preparing for
                MR. ASHTON: Mr. Chairman?
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                If I may, just a point of
                                                                 this hearing that there was a difference
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       personal privilege. I would like the record
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       to show that I did visit the site on
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       July 22nd and I've read the approximately
                                                                 original narrative was discussing 18 months
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       180-page transcript as of August 6th. So I
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       consider myself fully up to speed.
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                                                                 replacing it with has been adjusted so that
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                THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very
                                                                 it's consistent with the graphs and data also
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                                                                 attached in Attachment 2, 12 months worth of
       much, Mr. Ashton.
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                So will the two new witnesses
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       please rise to take the oath?
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                MR. BALDWIN: Thank you,
                                                                 still correct, but the replacement page for
                                                                 the Attachment 2, page 2 is now consistent
       Mr. Chairman. As listed in the hearing
                                        Page 171
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       program our new witnesses today, filling in
                                                                 with the data that was submitted. I don't
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       for Mrs. Carter, is Mr. Doug Talmadge, a real
                                                                 know that we need to make that a new exhibit.
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       estate consultant with Structure Consulting
                                                                 Mr. Chairman. So we actually have exhibits
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                                                                 now 8 through 13 if we include Mr. Talmadge's
       Group.
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                And Mr. Juan, also known as
                                                                 resume.
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       Jay, Latorre, a radio-frequency engineer with
                                                                          THE CHAIRMAN: Please continue
       Verizon Wireless.
                                                                 with the verification.
       JUAN "JAY" LATORRE,
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       DOUGLAS TALMADGE,
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          called as witnesses, being first duly
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          sworn by Ms. Bachman, were examined and
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          testified on their oaths as follows:
                                                                 Item 2, Section B, numbers 1 through 13, now
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       JAIME LAREDO,
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       MICHAEL LIBERTINE,
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       DEAN GUSTAFSON.
                                                                 information in those exhibits.
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       HARRY M. ROCHEVILLE, JR.,
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          having been previously sworn, were
                                                                         THE WITNESS (Rocheville): Yes.
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          examined and testified further on their
                                                                         MR. BALDWIN: Mr. Gustafson.
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          oaths as follows:
                                                                         THE WITNESS (Gustafson): Yes.
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                THE CHAIRMAN: Attorney
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                                                                 And just one point of clarification on
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       Baldwin, would you please continue by
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       verifying the new exhibits you filed.
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                                                                 pool in the eastern block stone habitat
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                MR. BALDWIN: Yes,
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                                                                 assessment, dated August 4th, prepared by
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       Mr. Chairman.
                                                                 Mr. Eric Davison.
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                There are five new exhibits
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                                                                         I consulted with Mr. Davison
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      during the preparation of his report and his
                                                                     THE WITNESS (Laredo): Yes.
      field visit of July 28th of this year, and
                                                                     MR. BALDWIN: Mr. Latorre?
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                                                                     THE WITNESS (Latorre): Yes.
      feel I am qualified to address any questions
      related to -- to this report.
                                                                     MR. BALDWIN: And do you adopt
              MR. BALDWIN: Thank you.
                                                             the information in those exhibits as your
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              Mr. Libertine?
                                                             testimony today?
               THE WITNESS (Libertine): Yes.
                                                                     Mr. Rocheville?
                                                                     THE WITNESS (Rocheville): Yes.
               MR. BALDWIN: Mr. Talmadge?
               THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Yes.
                                                                     MR. BALDWIN: Mr. Gustafson?
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               MR. BALDWIN: Mr. Laredo?
                                                                     THE WITNESS (Gustafson): Yes.
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               THE WITNESS (Laredo): Yes.
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               MR. BALDWIN: Mr. Latorre?
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               THE WITNESS (Latorre): Yes.
                                                                     MR. BALDWIN: Mr. Talmadge?
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               MR. BALDWIN: Do you have any
                                                                     THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Yes.
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      corrections, amendments or clarifications to
                                                                     MR. BALDWIN: Mr. Laredo?
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      offer to any of those exhibits?
                                                                     THE WITNESS (Laredo): Yes.
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              Mr. Rocheville?
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               THE WITNESS (Rocheville):
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      Yes, I have one correction to Exhibit 11. My
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                                                                     MR. BALDWIN: Mr. Chairman, I
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      response to Ouestion Number 68 shows a blank
                                                             offer them as full exhibits.
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      in the response and that blank should be
                                                                     MR. LYNCH: Mr. Chairman?
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      replaced with 0.6 miles. And that's all the
                                                                     THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Lynch?
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      corrections I have.
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               MR. BALDWIN: Mr. Gustafson?
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                                                             must have missed it. Did you offer
               THE WITNESS (Gustafson): No
                                                             Mr. Talmadge's resume as Exhibit 13, or
                                     Page 175
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       corrections.
                                                             you're going to?
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               MR. BALDWIN: Mr. Libertine?
                                                                     MR. BALDWIN: We offered it as
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               THE WITNESS (Libertine): No
                                                             Exhibit 13.
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       corrections.
                                                                     DR. KLEMENS: Mr. Chairman?
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                                                                     THE CHAIRMAN: Yes.
               MR. BALDWIN: Mr. Talmadge?
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               THE WITNESS (Talmadge): I
                                                             Dr. Klemens?
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       have one correction. Question 61, the
                                                                     DR. KLEMENS: Yes, I mean, I
       response refers to 814 Glenbrook Road. It
                                                             noticed under the witness Mr. Davison is
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       should be 870 Garden Road.
                                                             being -- are you going to produce Mr. Davison
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                                                             at a subsequent hearing for
               MR. BALDWIN: Mr. Laredo?
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               THE WITNESS (Laredo): None.
                                                             cross-examination?
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                                                                     MR. BALDWIN: Mr. Davison will
               MR. BALDWIN: Mr. Latorre?
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                                                             be available at the September 16th hearing.
               THE WITNESS (Latorre): None.
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                                                             He was not available to be here today. We
               MR. BALDWIN: And is the
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                                                             had hoped he'd be here today. But as
       information with those corrections true and
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                                                             Mr. Gustafson stated, he did work with
       accurate to the best of your knowledge?
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               Mr. Rocheville?
                                                             Mr. Davison on his report and is capable of
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               THE WITNESS (Rocheville): Yes.
                                                             responding to any question. To the extent
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               MR. BALDWIN: Mr. Gustafson?
                                                             that he is not, Mr. Davison will be here on
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               THE WITNESS (Gustafson): Yes.
                                                             the 16th.
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               MR. BALDWIN: Mr. Libertine?
                                                                     DR. KLEMENS: Thank you.
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               THE WITNESS (Libertine): Yes.
                                                                     THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Does the
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                                                             Intervenor have any objection to the
               MR. BALDWIN: Mr. Talmadge?
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               THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Yes.
                                                             admission of these exhibits?
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               MR. BALDWIN: Mr. Laredo?
                                                                     MR. COPPOLA: No,
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                                                                          THE WITNESS (Talmadge): -- is
       Mr. Chairman.
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                But just one question for
                                                                 .9 miles.
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      clarification with regard to the correction
                                                                          MR. MERCIER: From where?
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       that Mr. Rocheville had cited. He spoke a
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Talmadge): From
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      little bit quickly and I was unable to get
                                                                 the center of our search area to the center
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       all the information that he had referenced.
                                                                 of the cemetery, distance.
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                                                                          MR. MERCIER: Okay.
      I believe he said it was Exhibit 11. What
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Talmadge): It
       was the page number that you referenced?
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                                                                 was outside of our -- our search area for
                MR. BALDWIN: I think it was
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       Ouestion 61.
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                THE WITNESS (Rocheville):
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       Question 68. It's page number 24.
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                MR. BALDWIN: Which one are we
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                                                                 application?
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       talking about?
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                THE WITNESS (Rocheville):
                                                                 original search area. I can refer to
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       Yes, page number 24, the response to
                                                                 Harry --
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       Ouestion Number 68.
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                MR. COPPOLA: Okay. Thank
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Talmadge): --
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                                                                 for that location.
      you.
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                THE CHAIRMAN: Okay.
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                                                                 to the edge of the search area is it?
       Therefore the exhibits are admitted.
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               (Exhibits 1 through 13:
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Harry.
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       Admitted in evidence - described in index.)
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Rocheville): The
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                THE CHAIRMAN: We'll now
                                                                 search ring approximately has a diameter of
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       proceed with cross-examination starting with
                                                                 .6 miles.
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                                                                         MR. BALDWIN: Could I just
       Mr. Mercier.
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               CROSS-EXAMINATION
                                                                 have a minute with Mr. Rocheville?
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                MR. MERCIER: Thank you. I
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       would like to begin with the letter from
                                                                         THE WITNESS (Rocheville): The
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       Senator Slossberg. Has everybody received
                                                                 search ring has a radius about .3 miles. The
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       that letter and had a chance to read through
                                                                 center of the cemetery is about .9 miles from
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                                                                 the center of that search ring leaving
       it?
                I guess, this is her first
                                                                 .6 miles outside of the search ring. And the
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                                                                 ground elevations from where the center of
       point, was suggested location at Mount
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       St. Peter's Cemetery. Could someone just
                                                                 the search ring is to the cemetery, the
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       explain to me whether that site was viable or
                                                                 ground elevation at the cemetery is about 50
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                                                                 feet above sea level. It's about 130 to the
       not.
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                MR. BALDWIN: Whether it was
                                                                 highest point of the cemetery.
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                                                                         THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Maybe
       what or not?
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                MR. MERCIER: Viable.
                                                                 I'll add in, looking at the cemetery it
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                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Doug
                                                                 doesn't look there's much buffer area as
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       Talmadge. This cemetery is -- the center of
                                                                 well, even if it was closer to the search
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       the cemetery, the center of our search area
                                                                 area. As to where we would put it were it to
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       was .9 miles, so it was outside the vicinity
                                                                 have enough tree coverage, the cemetery is
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       of our search.
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                                                                 mostly plots right now. There's very
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                MR. MERCIER: Could you repeat
                                                                 little -- a group trees in the middle of the
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       that? The center of your search area?
                                                                 cemetery, which we be based our measurements
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                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Yes,
                                                                 off of. And we reached out to Mr. Pinone who
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       the center of the cemetery --
                                                                 the letter came from to the Council, and he
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                MR. MERCIER: Yes.
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                                                                hasn't been able to supply us with a location
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that he was thinking that would work, so we can tell if it's the ground elevation issue.

MR. MERCIER: What date did

you reach out to Mr. Pinone?

THE WITNESS (Talmadge): We reached out to him on 8/7, and again this Tuesday as well.

MR. MERCIER: You mean today? THE WITNESS (Talmadge):

Monday. This Monday. Sorry.

MR. MERCIER: Okay.

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THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Yeah.

Got my days mixed up.

MR. MERCIER: Okay. Thank

you.

Regarding the second location, something called Tucker's Ravine parcel. Did the Town ever direct Verizon to this parcel initially during this pre-application process?

THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Doug

Talmadge.

No, they did not. This was not a suggestion from them.

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I don't know if there was formal

for development.

consultation, but certainly there have been

phone calls to folks up there. And the

policy, we've always been told, is that

they're not interested in tying up state property for these type of developments.

In the case of the Housatonic Overlook there is a bit of a conservation restriction on there that -- this is helpful. We did take a look at that. It's actually two different parcels. There's a larger parcel of about 39 acres or so, which is more or less from the cul-de-sac and moves more or less southwestward along that rise. That's all in conservation land with restrictions

There is a smaller parcel of about 19 acres that more or less abuts the Housatonic River. If you're familiar with that site area, I've been up there, it's a steep cliff that just drops off towards the water and the rail line. So it's not really much of a developable parcel, but that does not have the restrictions on it. And that is still in town ownership -- or actually,

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MR. MERCIER: Now on an administrative notice list we have a letter from -- it's Number 32. It's a letter from the DEP to Attorney Fisher. It's in regards to Attorney Fisher reaching out to the DEP

for the use of some land.

Has Verizon itself ever submitted a request to the Commissioner of the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, or the former DEP, for that matter, for permission to develop a tower on any state-owned or state-funded open space parcels?

THE WITNESS (Libertine): This is Mike Libertine. I can speak -- I'm not sure if there's been a formal correspondence that's been documented. I know I've been involved in several dockets, and actually prior to becoming dockets during site searches where certain state forestland or other state properties appear to be potentially viable from our perspective. There were conversations over the years. I know there have been more than a -- probably

more than I can count on both hands. Again,

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they're both in town ownership, but one with a conservation restriction that came through a state fund funding mechanism. So there are some restrictions on what I would consider to be the developable portions of that property.

MR. MERCIER: Okay. Thank

you.

In the last paragraph of the letter, could you please respond to her statement that there is no immediate need for this facility? It appeared in her last paragraph.

MR. BALDWIN: Mr. Mercier, I saw that, too, when I read this this morning, and it's not clear in the letter what the basis of that statement is. So I'm not sure how we can respond to that. And she doesn't cite to anything in particular in the application, but frankly I'd be surprised if there was something in there that said there's no immediate need.

MR. MERCIER: Okay. Fair enough.

In the response to the Council's request for additional information

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       we asked for some type of data that could be
                                                                  looked at the sectors loading at that
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       submitted so we could -- the Council could
                                                                  specific hour and tried to do a linear
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       review it to determine capacity need at
                                                                  regression and come up with what will be the
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       this -- at this particular location. And
                                                                  forward data volume once we reach
       you've submitted a bunch of material under
                                                                  100 percent.
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       Attachment 2.
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                I just want to actually just
                                                                           THE WITNESS (Laredo): Loading
       turn to the fourth page of Attachment 2,
                                                                  for that sector.
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       that's the Milford Northeast Alpha Sector
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       charts. Just taking the first one, could
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       someone just please explain what this chart
                                                                  That data responds to how many users were
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       is showing?
                                                                  being scheduled for a specific time.
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                THE WITNESS (Laredo): Jaime
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       Laredo. This chart -- chart basically shows
                                                                           SENATOR MURPHY: Looking --
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       the trend of data volume. That's the first
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                                                                  sorry to interrupt you, but what does
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       one on the top, which we had referred as the
                                                                  "Average Scheduled Eligible User" mean?
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       forward data volume. Actually the total
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       downlink data volume traffic being downloaded
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       in this specific sector for several busy
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       hours for each month. So from this trend we
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                                                                  Attachment 2 --
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       can see that it is increasing.
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                The next chart at the
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       bottom --
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                MR. MERCIER: Hold on for a
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                                                                  says here it measures how many customers are
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       second.
                                                                  using a particular sector of a cell site.
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                Just the vertical axis,
                                                                           SENATOR MURPHY: So it's
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       there's four-digit numbers. What are the
                                                                  simply a customer? I mean, I don't
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       units associated with that?
                                                                  understand the terminology, "Eligible User."
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                THE WITNESS (Laredo): Those
                                                                  That's a customer?
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                                                                           THE WITNESS (Latorre): Jay
       are actually megabytes.
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                SENATOR MURPHY: What are we
                                                                  Latorre, Verizon Wireless.
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       looking at?
                                                                  it can get a little confusing. So if I may,
                MR. MERCIER: On the fourth
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       page it's a forward data volume chart. At
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       the top it says, Milford Northeast Alpha
                                                                           SENATOR MURPHY: I just want
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       Sector. This is Attachment 2 on Exhibit 9.
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                                                                           THE WITNESS (Latorre): Sure.
                DR. KLEMENS: Thank you.
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                SENATOR MURPHY: All right.
                                                                           SENATOR MURPHY: -- what it's
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       Gotcha.
                                                                  all about because this is really the first
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                THE WITNESS (Laredo): Just to
                                                                  time we've really had a crack at this kind of
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       continue, the red bar on top for the forward
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       data volume chart refers to the calculated
                                                                           THE WITNESS (Latorre):
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       FDV capacity for the sector.
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                THE REPORTER: That's FDV, you
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       said?
                                                                  capacity section, Number 4, the three --
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                THE WITNESS (Laredo): Yes,
                                                                           SENATOR MURPHY: Yeah, I have
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       FDV, or forward data volume capacity for that
                                                                  that in front. I -- I read it.
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       specific sector.
                                                                           THE WITNESS (Latorre): Yeah.
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                It was calculated based from
                                                                  To explain average schedule eligible users
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       the latest peak hour forward data volume. We
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active connections because you used the word "customer."

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So under Subsection C, Average Active Connections, or AC, that that is a customer number. So meaning in a specific busy hour for a sector how many customers on average are connected to that sector performing some sort of LTE data session. That's a little bit different than what the average scheduled eligible users are.

The LTE system that Verizon Wireless operates uses what we call an LTE scheduler, which in addition to allowing our network to allow users to download or upload data, also handles different control mechanisms, such as the mobility of a particular cell phone to move from Sector A to Sector B as a cell -- as a user maybe drives down a particular road, and also

So average scheduled eligible users refers more to the loading on a particular sector to handle all the different control mechanisms necessary for the LTE network to operate so that a customer can

handles a lot of other additional signaling.

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correct, given --

SENATOR MURPHY: It's not

those that use it over that day?

THE WITNESS (Latorre): No.

This data is presented in what we call a busy

hour and each sector has one.

SENATOR MURPHY: Well, is it during the hour, or at a given time in that hour that you give us these statistics?

THE WITNESS (Latorre): Over the course of an hour that we've determined to be the bustiest hour for a sector, this

number represents at any given point in time/ SENATOR MURPHY: My follow-up

15 question to that is, if I use your system 16 three times in an hour or once in an hour, if 17 I use it once I get counted as once, but if I 18 use it three times what do I get counted for? 19

THE WITNESS (Latorre): If you looked at the active connections in a given hour and you used it at the ten-minute mark, you would be considered an active user. If you looked at it at a, you know, the 20-minute mark and you were not doing anything, you would not be considered an

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establish a connection to a cell and perform their normal transactions, you know, such as checking their bank account or accessing a webpage.

So again, average active connections can be thought of as the amount of people trying to do something on their phone at the same time. And average scheduled eligible users refers to, at any given point in time, the amount of users that are accessing the cell to perform the control mechanisms of the network to make sure that the functions that you and I are all very comfortable with, like accessing the network, work properly.

SENATOR MURPHY: So to follow-up, because my perception of what you're talking about appears to be a lot different from what you're doing. THE WITNESS (Latorre): Sure.

SENATOR MURPHY: That's why I wanted to ask you. So the average active connection is those that are using it at a given time?

THE WITNESS (Latorre): That's

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active user.

SENATOR MURPHY: Well, suppose that I was on there at the 20-minute mark.

THE WITNESS (Latorre): So you would be -- for that instantaneous moment you would be calculated at the ten-minute mark. And if you were doing something at the 20-minute mark you would again be calculated as one of those number of connections.

The -- the average active connections is used to help smooth any, you know, irregularities over the course of hour. For example --

SENATOR MURPHY: So simply put, this really is the number that are using it at a given time during the busy hour?

THE WITNESS (Latorre): That's an accurate statement.

THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Lynch. MR. LYNCH: Just a follow up. You were talking about the LTE system, the 700. But that, there's no voice on that. So there's no voice being calculated into this average hour?

THE WITNESS (Latorre): Jay

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Page 196 Page 194 I'm having trouble Latorre. 2 2 understanding the individual customers. To That's correct. At this time 3 3 me, it appears how much of the network is for the purposes of average active 4 being taken up and that leads you to the need connections, the numbers that we are citing for greater capacity. And I can understand only speak to data connections currently 6 being performed on the LTE network. that if you look at the forward data volume, I can see it -- I can see that need. You can MR. LYNCH: And to follow up on Senator Murphy's usage within the hour, if see a very clear trend that you're 9 I'm using one app at 5:10 and I stay on it, approaching that need. I don't see it 10 10 supported by the other, the average but I switch to another app at 5:15, is that 11 11 still one use or is that two uses? connections or the other -- I don't see that 12 12 THE WITNESS (Latorre): If the as a very reliable measure compared to that 13 13 way the network -- I'm sorry, Jay Latorre. forward data volume. 14 14 The way the network works, if Can you comment on that, 15 15 you continue to maintain an active app and please? 16 16 use a second or third app, for example if THE WITNESS (Laredo): Jaime 17 17 you're checking the Internet and then also Laredo. 18 18 opened your e-mail browser, if your first The way we evaluate these 19 19 application maintains its connection, we sectors in terms of projected to exhaust 20 20 dates, we have a condition wherein we have to wouldn't double-count in our system because 21 21 satisfy the exhaust both for forward data you're already active. 22 22 volume and average scheduled eligible users. Once you become an active 23 23 user, additional applications would not cause And another way to set -- to conclude if it's 2.4 2.4 you to, you know, create multiple active exhausting is if, in terms of average active 25 users. Only once you de-establish all of connections, it is exhausting. So to Page 195 Page 197 1 your connections, which you cease to be what summarize the conditions, it's like end of 2 2 we would call an active user. And then when forward data volume and ASEU both should be 3 3 you reestablish something, you checked CNN exhausting, or average active connections 4 4 later, then you become an active user again should be exhausted. 5 at that time. DR. KLEMENS: So what you're 6 6 saying is to document a need it's one or the MR. LYNCH: Thank you. I've 7 other? got it now. Thank you. THE WITNESS (Latorre): You're THE WITNESS (Laredo): Yes, 9 9 very welcome. sir. 10 10 THE CHAIRMAN: Dr. Klemens? DR. KLEMENS: So the fact that 11 11 DR. KLEMENS: Yeah. I'm two of your measures seem to be fairly flat, 12 12 trying to grapple with this also. And thank the fact that one of your measures, the 13 13 you for actually, I think, trying to be forward data volume and the average scheduled 14 14 responsive to the questions we raised last eligible users are near exhaustion, that is 15 15 time about documenting these needs. And I sufficient, in your professional judgment, 16 wish Dr. Bell was here, because I know she 16 for need for this tower? 17 17 would enjoy this discussion very much. THE WITNESS (Laredo): Yes, 18 18 As I understand this, and I'm sir. That's correct. 19 thinking also of Senator Slossberg's letter 19 DR. KLEMENS: Thank you. 20 of the need, I'm seeing on these graphs that 20 THE WITNESS (Latorre): Jay 21 21 if you look at the aggregate data volume, the Latorre. 22 amount of space that is being taken up on the 22 If I may just add to -- to 23 23 network I would consider that to be the your comment. I'd like to refer to the Cisco 24 24 forward data volume. That's as much -visual networking index document that was

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included for today's discussion.

that's all the different things.

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                One of the interesting points
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       to note is on page 2 of the document where it
                                                                          MR. ASHTON: Number of users.
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       states in bold, in 2013 on an average a smart
                                                                 Is that units, hundreds, or thousands?
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       device generated 29 times more traffic than a
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Laredo): No,
       nonsmart device. I think if I understand
                                                                 that's -- is straight users.
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       your question, your thought was, well, you
                                                                          MR. ASHTON: Okay. So it's
       don't seem like you have a lot of average
                                                                 saying you've got on July 13, 2013, you've
       connections, but you've got a ton of data
                                                                 got about .7 user?
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                                                                          THE WITNESS (Laredo): That
       being used.
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                                                                 would be correct, because the way our LTE
                And the reality is what we're
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       experiencing with on our LTE network right
                                                                 system works is we schedule these users based
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       now is that we have smart phone users who are
                                                                 from one millisecond time. So that's a
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                                                                 thousandth of a second. That's why it would
       capable of using data at a significantly
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       higher portion than their nonsmart phone
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       equivalents. And -- and in many cases, it
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       doesn't necessarily always require that many
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       users are necessary to create an exhaustion
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       criteria for a site.
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                DR. KLEMENS: Thank you.
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Latorre): Jay
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       That's very helpful. Thank you.
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                THE WITNESS (Latorre): You're
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       very welcome.
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                THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Ashton?
                                                                          MR. ASHTON: Number of users.
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                MR. ASHTON: I'm a little bit
                                                                 Okay. So I'm reading that, and if I look at
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       confused by all this, too. One thing I'd
                                                                 the average active connections for July of
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                                                                 '13, that's telling me that at that time
       like to know, what are the scales on the
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       vertical part of the graph, is it megapixels
                                                                 there are about 35 users. Is that fair to
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       per ton or gallons per hour or what?
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                The forward data volume, is
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Latorre): In the
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       that units?
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                THE WITNESS (Laredo): Well,
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       the units for forward -- Jaime Laredo. The
                                                                 average scheduled eligible users for the same
                                                                 period is about .7?
       units for forward data volume is megabytes.
       So for the chart that refers to Milford
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       Northeast, for example, that's --
                                                                 Latorre. That's correct.
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                MR. ASHTON: That's megabytes?
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                THE WITNESS (Laredo): --
                                                                 mathematical relationship between ASEU and
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       megabytes, yes.
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                MR. ASHTON: Okay. Just a
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Latorre): Jay
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       simple question.
                                                                 Latorre. There is not a direct correlation
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                THE WITNESS (Laredo): Okay.
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                MR. ASHTON: A
                                                                 linear form, but it is logical that as your
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       straight-forward question.
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                THE WITNESS (Laredo): All
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                                                                 users will also increase.
       right.
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                MR. ASHTON: You know, you
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       never produce a graph unless you express the
                                                                 thing struck me referring to the ASEU in the
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       units. You didn't do it right.
                                                                 next curve is that there's a sharp need shown
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                What's the scale down below?
                                                                 in January of 2014 in the ASEU where the rest
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                THE WITNESS (Laredo): Down
                                                                 of it sort of poops along at a very low
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                                                                           THE WITNESS (Latorre): Jay
       geometric rate. What's going on?
                 THE WITNESS (Laredo): Jaime
                                                                  Latorre. Yes, the LTE network allows for a
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       Laredo. Along the way our -- we totaled up
                                                                  significant customization in the various
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       the units to calculate this forecasting.
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       We're trying to optimize it, so we have a
                                                                  trigger times to have a user move from one
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       team who -- who changes some parameters in
                                                                  sector to another sector. So it is possible
       order to arrive with a more realistic result.
                                                                  that parameter changes within the LTE network
                                                                  could affect the ASEU of a specific sector.
       So during this --
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                                                                           MR. ASHTON: Would that also
                MR. ASHTON: Well, this is
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       historical. What I'm trying to do is find
                                                                  include physical changes? For example, you
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       out what occurred that caused it more or less
                                                                  install or replace some antennas and are near
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       to go up by 50 percent in a short period of
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       time. You follow what I'm -- what I'm
                                                                           THE WITNESS (Latorre): Jay
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       talking about?
                                                                  Latorre. Yes, physical changes such as a
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                 THE WITNESS (Laredo): Yes.
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                                                                  change in antenna could result in a change in
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                THE WITNESS (Latorre): Jay
                                                                  a trending ASEU.
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       Latorre. For that specific answer I think we
                                                                           MR. ASHTON: I'm sorry. I
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       need to go back and do some additional
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                                                                  don't want to fog up the -- thank you,
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       research to identify the specific parameter
                                                                  Mr. Chairman.
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       changes that may have occurred during that
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       time, as well as any sort of network trends.
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                MR. ASHTON: Well, wouldn't
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       you agree it sort of sticks out?
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                                                                  referenced in your discussion earlier about
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                 THE WITNESS (Latorre): Jay
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                                                                  the average user time, an hour, smart phones.
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       Latorre.
                                                                  But are tablets and laptops also included in
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                I would say that given the
                                                                   that calculation?
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       analysis we've seen in the report as well as
                                                                            THE WITNESS (Latorre): Jay
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       a lot of the other data we've shown here
                                                                  Latorre. Yes, they are. Any device that is
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       today, although it may seem like it sticks
                                                                  capable of accessing the LTE network, which,
       out, this is consistent with the significant
                                                                  for example, could be a smart phone, it could
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       growth in capacity demand that we're seeing
                                                                  be a tablet, it could be a wireless air card,
       across our network both in this area --
                                                                  a machine-to-machine interface accessing the
                                                                  LTE network, all of which would contribute to
                MR. ASHTON: Well, if you look
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       at the slope of the curve for ASEU, both
                                                                  that overall number.
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       before that date and after -- well, beginning
                                                                            MR. LYNCH: Thank you.
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       with February of 2014, the slope is pretty
                                                                            Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
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       consistent. Isn't it? It's that one
                                                                            THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you.
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       interval where the slope goes up about
                                                                            I guess Mr. Mercier was
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       probably by a factor of four or five.
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                THE WITNESS (Latorre): I do
                                                                            MR. MERCIER: Thank you.
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       see that -- Jay Latorre -- and I believe we
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                                                                  scheduled eligible users. You said that was
       have to do some additional clarification just
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       to verify the specific conditions that
                                                                  a number of users per millisecond of time
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       allowed for that increase in ASEU between the
                                                                  during the busiest hour?
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                                                                            THE WITNESS (Laredo): Yes,
       period of December of 2013 and January of
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       2014.
                                                                   that's correct.
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                MR. ASHTON: Could that
                                                                            MR. MERCIER: Just to follow
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       increase be a forced increase by directing
                                                                  up on Mr. Ashton's question regarding the
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       signals to one set of towers as opposed to
                                                                  rise in January, the other two sectors also
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       another? Can you force that increase?
                                                                  show a slight rise, but there is a rise there
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       and that was also my question, why that
                                                                   speed throughout its network nationwide.
       trended upward in January of '14.
                                                                   Five to 12 megabits per second down is the
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                I just have one last question,
                                                                   current advertised rate for LTE across the
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       and it's in regards to visibility. This
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       question is based on Photo 6 in Tab 9 of the
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       application. Now in regards to the
                                                                   about 4 megabits per second. This set of
       visibility for Rainbow Trail if the tower
                                                                   data has been established by our director and
       were extended by 20 feet, as I understand the
                                                                   executive director team as a means of
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       tower would be built to support such an
                                                                   allowing us to target those sectors in our
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       extension, would it be visible above the tree
                                                                   network which today are failing to reach that
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       canopy from Rainbow Trail?
                                                                   criteria, with the thought being that if we
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                THE WITNESS (Libertine): No,
                                                                   have a sector in our LTE network which on
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       a 20-foot extension would not get it above
                                                                   average is producing a download speed more
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       the tree canopy as it is from that
                                                                   than one megabit per second slower than our
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       perspective along the southern end of Rainbow
                                                                   advertised rate, we need to look at this as a
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                                                                   concern for the LTE network and begin to look
       Trail.
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                MR. MERCIER: Okay. Thank
                                                                   at various methods at our disposal to ensure
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                                                                   that we bring the average download speed of
       you.
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                                                                   that sector back and above these appropriate
                I have no other questions at
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       this time.
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                THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Thank
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       you.
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                We'll now continue with any
                                                                   Mr. Chairman, I have no further questions.
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       other questions from the council members.
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                                                                   indicate that I, too, missed the hearing on
                Senator Murphy?
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                SENATOR MURPHY: Am I on?
                                                                   the 17th of July. And last Thursday, the 7th
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                THE CHAIRMAN: Yes.
                                                                   of August I read both transcripts of the
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                SENATOR MURPHY: Okay. I just
                                                                   afternoon session and evening session.
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       have a couple of quick questions.
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                In follow up to why the spike,
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       am I correct in assuming that the method of
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       keeping statistics and the method of
                                                                            MR. ASHTON: Thank you.
       computing for these charts remained unchanged
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       from July of '13 through the following July
                                                                   site? I don't recall that in the transcript.
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       as these charts went?
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                THE WITNESS (Laredo): Jaime
                                                                   Talmadge. No, they have not expressed any
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       Laredo. Yes.
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                SENATOR MURPHY: And the other
                                                                            MR. ASHTON: I'm sorry.
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       question I had goes back to your capacity.
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       In Number 2 you indicated in New England --
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       in New England Cellco's design goal is 4
                                                                            MR. ASHTON: They have not.
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       megabits. It then goes on to say that the
                                                                   Thank you.
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       ultimate goal for the company nation -- or
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       network-wise is 5 to 12. Why such a
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       significant difference here than
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       network-wise?
                                                                   southeast, but if you went up the slope a
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                THE WITNESS (Latorre): Jay
                                                                   little bit to where it's flatter, could you
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       Latorre. The -- that statement, the
                                                                   not reduce the height of the tower?
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       company's ultimate goal is to achieve data
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       rates of 5 to 12 megabits per second download
                                                                   north/south. If you moved it a little bit to
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Page 210 the right as you get to the top, the contours MR. ASHTON: I'd be delighted, 2 flatten out. And my guess is if you can go because I'm very baffled by it. 3 3 with the same top of the tower elevation you 4 4 could knock maybe ten feet off its height. We --Does everybody understand 6 6 where I'm talking about moving? MR. BALDWIN: Are you looking at a particular topo map in the application, 9 just to make sure that we're on the same 10 10 page? 11 11 MR. ASHTON: Well, no. But 12 12 they all show the same thing. 13 13 MR. BALDWIN: Okay. 14 14 MR. ASHTON: You want me to 15 15 find one? 16 16 C-1A would show it. 17 17 THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Ashton, 18 18 you're talking about moving in which 19 19 direction? 20 20 MR. ASHTON: East. On C-1A, 21 21 there's a north-south arrow at the top center 22 22 and it would upslope slightly. 23 23 THE WITNESS (Laredo): Jaime 24 2.4 Laredo. 25 25 With our perspective, since

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THE WITNESS (Libertine): MR. ASHTON: I think I really threw you a curve, and I don't want your whole team to fall apart. THE WITNESS (Libertine): We, as part of the process of looking at these sites, myself or Mr. Gustafson or both of us typically are on the site design visits, which we both were for this particular one, which was done in the winter and one of the reasons we selected the site as it's proposed today was to actually take advantage of the little bit of a depression there. And primarily because eastbound, or eastward from this site you have an open field and some fairly open properties and so the thought was where we have it today was we could hide or at least shield a great deal of the compound and lower portion of the tower by taking advantage of that knoll. As you suggest, if we go up higher we might be able to achieve a lower tower, but we now start to talk about

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we're moving a bit higher and pretty close to the original location I may need to visit the area in order to see if I'm actually clearing some treeline elevations at that specific location. But it might end up either the same or a bit lower than what we propose. There's only a -- there should be only a small difference in terms of height.

MR. ASHTON: Well, as I -- as I eveball it. I see those are two-foot intervals. I was figuring if you moved it somewhere around 50, 60 feet, anyway, you could move it as much as a hundred feet. If you're up to elevation 150, or approaching it where you're now at elevation 135 or something like that?

THE WITNESS (Laredo): Jaime Laredo. Yes, it is possible that we can reduce the height by a small amount. We still need to confirm that through an actual site, site visit.

MR. ASHTON: I'm puzzled why you came on the side slope.

THE WITNESS (Libertine): Can I speak to that, Mr. Ashton?

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taking down a significant amount more trees as well as probably more -- more importantly from my perspective, is now we start to really open up views of the entire facility to the east and to -- well, generally to east, whether it's northeast, south, southeast as well.

So there was this balancing that we went through to -- to get to where we were. We did look at that knoll. We looked at other portions of the property, but because of trying to balance the physical nature of this property, if you take a look at the application, actually in the executive summary, the aerial photo that's in the very front portion, I believe it's page II, if I'm not mistaken. That gives you a pretty good sense of how -- how much we attempted to center this property certainly from north to south and again, from east to west as best we could and try to take advantage of some cover, some topography breaks, and some of the other natural features so that we could kind of gained that balance of meeting RF objectives and also trying to keep it away

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Page 214 Page 216 Mr. Gustafson? from wetlands and other resource areas as 2 2 THE WITNESS (Gustafson): Dean well as trying to minimize overall 3 3 visibility. So that was the thought process Gustafson. It would push it further away 4 4 that got us to that point. from Wetland 2. 5 And I recognize what -- what MR. ASHTON: Would it reduce 6 6 the amount of grading you'd have to do? you're trying to accomplish in terms of if we could suppress the height of the tower. In THE WITNESS (Rocheville): The this case we do have some limitations on the further we move east -- Harry Rocheville. 9 The further we move east -physical features of that property that may 10 10 MR. ASHTON: Turn up your actually result in, from my perspective I 11 11 think it's going to be -- probably open up voice. The room is dead. 12 12 more views of the facility. Even if we could THE WITNESS (Rocheville): 13 get down 20 feet shorter, I still think we're 13 Harry Rocheville. 14 14 talking about significant views of the lower The further we move east the 15 15 portion of the tower now becoming -- opening grades start to get steeper and steeper. So, 16 16 up to that eastern side. it wasn't --17 17 MR. ASHTON: From where? MR. ASHTON: Going east? 18 18 THE WITNESS (Libertine): You're saying going east the grades get 19 19 There's several homes to the east on Garden steeper? 20 20 Road, Cold Springs. Thank you. There are a THE WITNESS (Rocheville): 21 21 few others up in the general neck of the That's correct. From our --22 22 woods, but that -- that's got quite a bit of MR. ASHTON: Oh, I see it. 23 23 residential development to the east. Yeah, but not -- by how much? You're talking 2.4 2.4 MR. ASHTON: If you look at a gorge or are you talking a mountain cliff 25 25 the photograph, it's right at the front right or what? Page 215 Page 217 1 right behind the to-plot map, it shows that THE WITNESS (Rocheville): It 2 you've got what is effectively open space would depend how -- how far east you would 3 for, more or less, the width of the compound have to go. 4 itself that you could move it into. Do you MR. ASHTON: It's not 5 follow me? material. Is it? Not in the way I read the 6 THE WITNESS (Libertine): I map and walk the site. 7 THE WITNESS (Libertine): MR. ASHTON: So why would that Mr. Ashton, I think there's probably a 9 affect your viewing from the east if it's distinction. If we were talking about 10 10 shifting this thing, the tower center 40 feet already open at that point? 11 11 THE WITNESS (Libertine): I think then you're probably talking, no, not 12 12 Again, it starts to rise. So -a substantial difference in the grades and 13 13 MR. ASHTON: Right. So it probably not quite as dramatic a shift in the 14 14 overall visibility as if we were talking starts to rise, but you're well screened by a 15 15 lot of heavy cedars in that area and wouldn't about maybe 80 or a hundred feet where we 16 16 start to get up on top. So just -- just to you be -- you're saying it's a compromise by 17 17 help maybe put my answer into a little bit what I lose on the tower I might increase 18 18 exposure at the compound? better perspective, and I think where Harry 19 19 THE WITNESS (Libertine): is coming from as well, because you know if 20 20 That's essentially what the trade-off would you're walking that site it does start to 21 21 rise up as you get closer to the knoll. 22 22 MR. ASHTON: Does that get it So yeah, 30, 40 feet, it's 23 23 further away from wetlands? probably not going to change anything 24 24 THE WITNESS (Libertine): I substantially. You start pushing that 80 to 25 25 don't believe so. a hundred-foot envelope, now all of the

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MR. ASHTON: Mr. Libertine, if you had to do it all over again would you pick the same site?

THE WITNESS (Libertine): I would, yeah.

MR. ASHTON: Okay. Different question, different topic. How much of the loading on the tower -- well, not physical loading, but the electronic loading has the decline in hardwired land lines presented?

In other words, we know we're -- actually I guess we're up to about 35 percent of the customers have dropped their land lines, maybe a bit more. Connecticut is lower. How much has that driven your need for capacity, if at all?

THE WITNESS (Latorre): Jay Latorre. Although I cannot provide you with a formal set of data, I would say from my own personal experience that your point about the number of users who have disconnected their phone lines has definitely driven our capacity needs. Just because people have

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Our LTE network allows for the purchasing of devices that would create a wireless network within your homes that would utilize the LTE network that exists today to provide you with an assortment of different wireless data connection opportunities within your home. Some customers may still use a wired line connection in their homes for both their voice and data needs, but our -- we believe the future is very much driven by

MR. ASHTON: Thank you. Nothing further.

THE CHAIRMAN: We'll just go see if any of the members who asked questions have additional ones.

Dr. Klemens?

DR. KLEMENS: Yes, I have two pages. I'll try to go quickly, very quickly.

I'd like to first look at the first set of the response to interrogatories on page number 2. Mr. Libertine, your response is that they're based on APT's conservative computer modeling you have there. And then you have another statement

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taken their phone lines out of their homes does not mean they stopped being interested in talking on the phone.

So while we have seen an explosive growth in LTE, we have continued to see interest in our 1X existing CDMA voice service, which suggests that although in today's communication while people are more likely using data-type connections to communicate with one another such as text messaging or different online messaging apps there is still a strong demand for voice and we've seen that in the sense that our existing 1XCDMA network is still as busy as ever.

MR. ASHTON: I'm back in the age of dinosaurs in communication, but I use a hardwired -- it happens to be an AT&T connection to provide computer services. Is the LTE explosion replacing some of that hardwired downloading, download ability, if you will, so it's in portable devices now, not fixed hardwired devices?

THE WITNESS (Latorre): Absolutely. Jay Latorre.

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further down that says, do not necessarily represent predictive views would be achieved when residential with dwellings, et cetera.

So I'm trying to reconcile those two statements. You have a conservative computer modeling, but you're not able to take into account what happens within dwellings or on second stories. So what are the people on Rainbow Trail actually going to see from their houses?

THE WITNESS (Libertine): Well, I can -- I can only, I guess, make some predictions based on what I could see from both the right-of-way, public right-of-way between homes when I was out there doing the balloon float and then what the predictive model was showing. My sense is that it was -- I can tell you from the balloon float that we did with the leaves totally off the trees, the one-shot we were able to get where we could physically see the red balloon through the trees was from Photo Number 6, behind Tab 9 in the application.

That said, I think it's fair to assume that during those conditions when

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the leaves are off the deciduous trees there will be some limited views that are likely going to be similar in nature to what we're seeing in that photo from those backyards and potentially the -- well, certainly the second-story windows I would assume.

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DR. KLEMENS: So then it really isn't a conservative analysis based on the second-story views?

THE WITNESS (Libertine): Say again. I'm sorry?

DR. KLEMENS: Then it really is not a conservative analysis as it as it actually pertains to the second-story views that may be visible from those houses?

THE WITNESS (Libertine): I don't disagree with that, but I -- we have never done an analysis where we can predict from second stories or folks' homes specifically. We just don't have access to those areas, so we can only use the model and observations from the roadways to try to come up with what we feel is a best estimate.

I think it's fair to say that those houses that line the southern portion

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DR. KLEMENS: Well, then could you produce the tax card, because I can't see if that makes any sense to me?

MR. BALDWIN: We can. We can. THE CHAIRMAN: I don't think it's relevant.

DR. KLEMENS: Well, it's relevant only that it -- is it relevant given the fact that the -- well, it's relevant only in fact that possibly the Bespuda's have more to lose than to gain from leasing this tower if it is in PA-490.

THE CHAIRMAN: But they said it's not. Didn't you say it's not?

MR. BALDWIN: There's no evidence in the title that the property is in the 490 program. And -- and even if it were, that's a conscious choice that the property owner would have to make with respect to the lease, so...

DR. KLEMENS: But something doesn't add up on the figures. You introduced a title search for with a value for that property that makes absolutely no sense to me.

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of the cul-de-sac, if they know what they're looking for through the trees you will probably be able to say, yeah, at a certain time of year, yeah, there's -- there's that tower. That's the best I could tell you.

DR. KLEMENS: Okay. Thank you.

On Attachment 1, the title search that was done by Quinnipiac Title Search, I see that 70 percent which is the assessed value, which is 70 percent of the appraised value of that property is \$289,030. And I'm very curious how a piece of property of that size can have such a low assessment, unless it might be in PA-490.

So the thrust of this question is, does this -- assuming that this property is in PA-490, which almost has to be given the low assessment, is the emplacement of this cell tower actually going to jeopardize that PA-490 exemption that the Bespuda's receive?

MR. BALDWIN: Dr. Klemens there's no evidence that the property is in 490.

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MR. BALDWIN: Well, we introduced the title search in order to answer the question I think we had at the first hearing which was, is the property subject to any type of farmland restriction under a specific program, actually that wasn't the 490 program. It was another program that Mr. Mercier referenced at the time. We can produce the property card.

DR. KLEMENS: That would be helpful to satisfy my curiosity, even though it may not be a relevant question, as pointed out.

Could we go to the bird report, please? I want to move as quickly as I can. We read a lot about the guy wires and the poles. Would you say, Mr. Libertine, or I guess, Mr. Gustafson, that our stealth towers, that is the monopines are potentially less of an impact to birds than single monopoles?

I mean, if you read the rationale the fish and wildlife survey says about guy wires and single poles, is there any evidence to show that the monopines

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actually have fewer bird strikes?

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THE WITNESS (Gustafson): I am not aware of any analysis regarding a typical monopole versus a stealth monopine.

DR. KLEMENS: But is it the concern about the thinness of the pole or the guy wires, would it not make maybe sense that when you create a tree-like structure that it will have less bird strikes?

THE WITNESS (Gustafson): The -- the analysis that I have reviewed with respect to bird strikes regarding tall guided and lit structures results from the effect of during overcast conditions or foggy conditions particularly at night with the lighting in combination with the guy wires, the birds encircle the tower facility because of the lighting. They get disoriented and essentially circle around the tower because with the guy wires projecting out from the tower, that increases the bird strike incident during those conditions.

DR. KLEMENS: So it's the guy wires that are of concern, not whether it's a monopole or monopine?

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and disturbance and to protect landowner's
 rights." I have never seen that statement
 anywhere for masking NDDB records.

THE WITNESS (Gustafson):
That, that language has been collected from references from directly from the National Diversity Database. So I can -- I can look into the specific reference for that.

DR. KLEMENS: I would appreciate that. Thank you.

THE WITNESS (Gustafson): Sure. DR. KLEMENS: Okay. And on page number 7, Item Number 4, in the italics, the "Towers should not be sited in or near wetlands." You respond that it's not in the wetland. Would you say that the current tower as proposed is near the wetland?

THE WITNESS (Gustafson): Yes, it's approximate, you know, it's approximately a hundred feet from Wetland 2, so I would consider that, that's it's near a wetland resource.

DR. KLEMENS: So then you're not quite complying. You're sort of semi-complying with point 4 of the fish and

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THE WITNESS (Gustafson):

That's correct.

THE WITNESS (Libertine):

Dr. Klemens --

THE WITNESS (Gustafson): In combination with the lighting.

THE WITNESS (Libertine): -- I'd also mention that the vast majority of studies that we have seen all deal with towers typically higher than 300 feet in height, so there seems to be some correlation with lower towers not having the same effects.

DR. KLEMENS: Okay. On page 6 of the report you discussed something, the NDDB, that the exact locations are masked to protect landowners' rights. I've never seen that before. Can you tell me where that -- where that came from?

THE WITNESS (Gustafson): Could you point to --

DR. KLEMENS: Sure. On page 6 of the bird report there is a statement that says that part of the reason the NDDB -- the last sentence on the page: "....collection

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wildlife guidance then?

THE WITNESS (Libertine): I'm -- I'm not sure it's that black-and-white to answer that. I can't argue that, but at the same time I'm not sure it's -- there's no setback or distance that is provided in any guidance from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. So what we try to do is answer the question as best we can.

Obviously we're not within it, and we try to provide the distances so that everyone can understand what those setbacks are.

DR. KLEMENS: Okay. On Point Number 8 you talk about the idea of mowing. If you're going to use that roadway, mowing to make the site unattractive for grassland birds, which you say is probably not a good potential, and I probably tend to agree with you on that. But how wide a swath would you mow if you were to go with -- if you were to go with what you're proposing, Number 1, Under 8, if construction activities occur how wide a swath are you talking about mowing to discourage grassland-nesting birds?

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THE WITNESS (Gustafson): I would mow the -- the limits of -- of work, and then to the southeast extend an additional 20 feet.

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DR. KLEMENS: You think 20 feet is enough just to -- I mean, I'm asking your advice here, because if I were doing it I would think you would want a larger exclusion area. That's just my --

THE WITNESS (Gustafson): I --I think when you take into consideration that it's maintained hayfield and provides suboptimal grassland-bird habitat. I think that that -- that is a sufficient width.

DR. KLEMENS: It's sufficient? Because I think that's a far preferable approach than the other Number 2. I would certainly go with the mowing as opposed to what you're suggesting under Number 2, because I think that gets very complicated to determine the presence of that.

Okay. I want to move to the second set of interrogatories -- oh, I want to move to the letter of July 23rd from Mr. Baldwin. There was a page missing from Page 232

my comments for Mr. Davison when he's going

to come on the 16th. But there's one thing 3

that's been repeated in the bird report,

repeated in Mr. Davison's report, and always

saying, well, the impact is no greater than a single-family house. What threshold does a

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house not a problem?

THE WITNESS (Gustafson): I think the -- the rationale for providing that statement is just to provide a point of reference for the -- the typical aerial extent on a horizontal plane of your level of disturbance, particularly during construction.

There is -- there is a differential with respect to long-term activities associated with the residential use and the use by the proposed application. And I agree that -- that also taking that

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the wetlands report. I didn't even notice it when I analyzed the wetlands report and when I looked at the attachment I realized why.

Would you say that a fair characterization of what was left out of the wetlands report was a standalone page basically of regulatory boilerplate language?

THE WITNESS (Gustafson): That's correct. It -- it's only -- provides specific information beyond the boil plate with respect to the local inland wetland regulations.

DR. KLEMENS: Right. And the way it was set up in your report, it was a standalone page. So I missed it when I reviewed it, and wasn't any the less for not having it.

THE WITNESS (Gustafson): Yeah, it doesn't provide any specific information regarding the actual wetlands on the subject property. It's -- it is essentially a standalone regulatory summary.

DR. KLEMENS: Okay. Okay. That makes sense. Thank you.

I'm going to reserve most of

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into context you need to understand the resources that you're dealing with on a particular site.

DR. KLEMENS: So there could be a specific site where the placement of a single-family house in a particular area could have a severe impact to certain species?

THE WITNESS (Gustafson): Certainly.

DR. KLEMENS: Thank you. On your vernal pool map, and I've seen a lot of these vernal pool maps, you have aggregated the vernal pool envelope and the critical upland habitat zone. And I think if you could submit those unaggregated, because I think your percent development in the critical upland habitat zone is less when you aggregate it with the vernal pool envelope. And generally these analyses are done whether you do the analyses of the envelope and its percentage, and then you do the second doughnut, which is the 100 to

750-foot. So I would ask if you could redo

that because I think it will give us a

(Pages 234 to 237) Page 234 Page 236 was a consensus of the location that was greater understanding of whether or not the development in the critical upland habitat chosen for a number of reasons. And so that 3 approaches or exceeds the 25 percent is their preferred site. I can't speak for them, but I threshold. THE WITNESS (Gustafson): know it's not -- it's not their first 6 6 preference. They would prefer to leave the Understood. Thank you. site where it is somewhere over that, that DR. KLEMENS: And the very last question I have, your were also asked to small knoll. 9 address the concepts of avoidance versus DR. KLEMENS: That includes 10 10 mitigation. I didn't see that in your the area that Mr. Ashton has been talking 11 11 response, but I understand you're going to about? 12 12 address that at some point. THE WITNESS (Libertine): I 13 13 THE WITNESS (Gustafson): With think we may have some more -- we might have 14 14 respect to? more flexibility there if we're talking about 15 15 DR. KLEMENS: General concepts something, you know, 40, 50 feet one way or 16 16 of is it better to avoid impacts or better to the other, but still takes advantage of that, 17 17 mitigate? We have a lot of discussion and that rise in land to somehow shield from the 18 18 were we going to put in here, we're going to east 19 19 mitigate, we're going to do this. And I So yes, I think that probably 20 think it would be nice to have some analysis 20 has some -- I think in this case, to answer 21 of the benefits of avoidance versus always 21 your question, it does probably exclude the 22 22 mitigating. And that was a part of my area that Mr. Ashton is talking about. We 23 23 interrogatory that didn't make it in, but I spoke primarily of moving it about 380 feet 24 believe it was phoned into you by our 24 to the southwest. 25 25 Executive Director. DR. KLEMENS: Right. Page 235 Page 237 THE WITNESS (Libertine): And THE WITNESS (Gustafson): Is 2 there -- would you like that in -- and just that was something that they were -- again we 3 3 to get some further clarification on that had visited that early on in the process. It 4 4 point, would you like that in the context of was not something that they were preferable 5 eastern box turtle habitat or vernal pool 6 6 habitat? DR. KLEMENS: That's down the 7 7 DR. KLEMENS: Both of these ridgeline? 8 subjects. This is the subject of this THE WITNESS (Libertine): 9 9 docket. Correct. 10 10 THE WITNESS (Gustafson): Okay. DR. KLEMENS: So, but I mean, 11 11 DR. KLEMENS: And the very if in fact Mr. Ashton's proposal not only 12 12 last question I have and I'm going to wrap makes for a shorter tower, but actually gets 13 13 this up is, have the landowner's indicated more distance between the wetlands and that 14 14 area that's the -- which I consider to be an any willingness to move this tower to an area 15 15 that may have less environmental impacts as I important box turtle interface, the wetland 16 16 upland interface, you may be able to suggested or as Mr. Ashton is suggesting? Is 17 17 accomplish at least some of the concerns I've there a willingness, a flexibility on the 18 18 part of the landowner? raised --19 19 THE WITNESS (Libertine): My THE WITNESS (Libertine): 20 20 understanding is the landowner has been Absolutely.

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DR. KLEMENS: Thank you.

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       myself and Mr. Laredo, we're not involved in
                                                                   property is currently exempt from tax -- the
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                                                                   land is currently exempt from taxation under
       any sort of conversations regarding
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                                                                   Public Act 490. My assumption is that it is
       acquisition of additional spectrums.
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based on the categorization of this property

MR. LYNCH: And one follow-up.

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as farmland, and I believe that the construction of a cell tower on that property would negate that exemption, and furthermore would result in a look-back by the

municipality as to the previous assessments

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which were exempt from taxation.

So if I may, Mr. Chairman, present this. I also believe the Applicant might have a copy of the field card as well. If the Applicant would like to present it, that's fine as well.

MR. BALDWIN: Mr. Chairman, I'm going to object.

THE CHAIRMAN: Attorney Baldwin, do you want to --

MR. BALDWIN: I'm going to object. Again, I don't think the issue of whether the property is subject to some tax benefits associated with the 490 program is relevant to this proceeding. It's a program that Mr. Bespuda, as the property owner, would take advantage of.

It may answer Dr. Klemens' questions, which I'm happy to do, but that might be the only benefit of having the field Page 244

just brought up by your Council, so I just

wanted to point out that, in fact, it is

exempt. And if the Applicant -- it looks

like the Applicant might have a more official looking field card that I have. I have one

printed from the -- simply printed from the Internet. It looks like the Applicant might

have one that can only be received by going to the tax assessor's office in town hall.

THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Baldwin, you -- Attorney Baldwin, you said you were going to provide it. So I don't know if you want to provide it now or at the September meeting.

MR. COPPOLA: Mr. Chairman, I'll be more than happy to provide what I have, anyways, to the Council. And I would suggest submitting both because they're in two different formats.

THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. MS. BACHMAN: Do you need a copy? Is this your only copy?

23 MR. COPPOLA: No, I have one 24 right here. Thank you, though.

MR. BALDWIN: Mr. Chairman, I

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card in this record. It's a program that provides Mr. Bespuda with tax relief. He's the only one that would be harmed if there are any look-back programs as Attorney Coppola referenced. It has no relevance to this proceeding.

MR. COPPOLA: I would just, also in response to the objection, just point out that the description of the property as farmland is somewhat relevant. Also there's other issues such as, you know, does what's being proposed comply with the town plan of conservation and development with regard to the preservation of farmland in Orange, et cetera, so...

THE CHAIRMAN: Well, okay. I'd buy that. Yeah, I'll accept the field card for what it's worth, but I'm not sure at this point whether we want to go beyond that.

SENATOR MURPHY: Do you have the year of the filing and the effective date for the look back?

MR. COPPOLA: I don't know. It was certainly not an issue which I was prepared to discuss today. Again, it was

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mean, it's been a while since I've looked at this, but I'm still leaning on this property

card. I'm not sure whether this is going to

help us out on the issue. Again, I'm not --

THE CHAIRMAN: Well, we just asked for the card. So I'm not sure the issue is even maybe germane to the issue between the property owner and the Town. I'm not sure that having a cell tower negates the ability to farm, but that could be something for somebody else to discuss, so --

MR. BALDWIN: I don't see any reference on the card to the 490 program, but if the Council could make a copy of this so that I could keep one for my file, I'm happy to submit it.

THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. I thought you had somebody there that could make instant copies, but --

MR. BALDWIN: We could take a picture of it, probably.

THE CHAIRMAN: All right, Attorney Coppola, can you --

MR. COPPOLA: Sure. One more comment, not with regard to that issue, but

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       one issue that came up in questioning of the
                                                                 approval, and that's how we get sites going.
       panel was the ability to view the proposed
                                                                           MR. COPPOLA: So do you walk
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       cell tower from certain properties. And the
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       panel indicated that there was a lack of
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Talmadge):
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       access to certain properties.
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                                                                 not -- yeah.
                I just wanted to inform the
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       panel as well as inform the Siting Council
                                                                          MR. COPPOLA: If I could just
       that certainly my clients, the Intervenors in
                                                                 finish my question.
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       this action, I have confirmed with them would
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       be willing to allow access to their property
                                                                 St. Peter Cemetery I assume you've had an
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       so that Verizon could identify what views
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       they would have from their properties, if
                                                                           THE WITNESS (Talmadge): I've
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                                                                 -- I've driven in there. I've driven there.
       that's something that we believe would be
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       helpful. I offer that to the Council and I
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       offer that to the panel.
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                THE CHAIRMAN: We'll take that
                                                                 opportunity then to walk the site. Is that
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       under advisement.
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                Would you like to continue?
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               CROSS-EXAMINATION
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                MR. COPPOLA: Thank you.
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                With regard to some of the
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       alternate locations in the submittal that was
                                                                 get out of your car, but you drove around the
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       received today by the Siting Council from
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       Senator Slossberg and the three other State
                                                                           THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Yes.
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       Representatives who have intervened in this
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       action. I'd just like to ask some questions
                                                                         MR. COPPOLA: And when did you
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       about those, in particular those two
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       alternate sites. I assume Mr. Talmadge would
                                                                         THE WITNESS (Talmadge): On my
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       be the witness.
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                MR. BALDWIN: Whoever might be
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       appropriate, we'll just -- why don't you just
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       ask and then we'll make sure we get the right
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Talmadge): I'm
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       answer for you.
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                MR. COPPOLA: Mr. Talmadge, is
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                                                                 you produced in this proceeding any records
       it correct that we just received your resume
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       for the first time today during this hearing?
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                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Yes.
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                MR. COPPOLA: Okay. And what
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       is your role with Verizon Wireless with
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       regard to determining the feasibility of
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                                                                 that you -- if I could just finish. -- any
       potential sites?
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                                                                 notes that you took, have you produced any of
                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): It is
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       my role, Doug Talmadge, to take direction
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       from RF on locations, drive the area
                                                                         THE WITNESS (Talmadge): In
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       thoroughly and choose locations, as we've all
                                                                 regards to the cemetery?
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       mentioned today, that have a least visible
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       impact, a -- enough land, number one. You
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       know, A lot of these residential areas don't
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                                                                         MR. COPPOLA: And why is that?
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       have enough land, and ground elevation. And
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       then from there it goes back to RF for
                                                                 Because the cemetery was outside the search
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                                                                candidate is. I call them candidates. If
       area.
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                MR. COPPOLA: Okay. But let
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       me start with this, do you have any records
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       indicating what you determined when you
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       examined the feasibility of that property?
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                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): No.
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                MR. COPPOLA: So you didn't
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       create any records at that time?
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                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): No.
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                MR. COPPOLA: And why is that?
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                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): We
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       verbally discussed with RF if the site will
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       work or not, or if it's too far out of the
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       search area. It's internal. There's no --
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                MR. COPPOLA: Okay. But how
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       about internal records? Are there any
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       internal records of your examination of that
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       property?
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                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): For
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       the cemetery, no.
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                MR. COPPOLA: Okay. So when
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       you examined the cemetery property did you
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       create any records whatsoever or any
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       correspondences with regard to your search of
                                                                approximate date. He says he doesn't have
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                                                                any specific records to share. And I assume
       that property?
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               MR. BALDWIN: I think
                                                                this may be the case with other sites, but
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       Mr. Talmadge has already answered no to that
                                                                anyway. So beyond that, what are we trying
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                                                                to obtain, that he's not telling the truth or
       question.
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               THE CHAIRMAN: I tend to
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                                                                         MR. COPPOLA: Well, first of
      agree.
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                                                                all I'm trying to confirm, you know, were
               MR. COPPOLA: Well, he's also
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                                                                there any -- for example, he said there were
       said that -- he actually kind of hedged his
       answer. He said that it was an internal
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      examination. And so I'm just trying to
                                                                regard to this site?
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       figure if there's any records whatsoever.
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               THE WITNESS (Talmadge): That
                                                                regards to any of my searches.
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       answer was in regards to you saying if I had
                                                                         MR. COPPOLA: Okay. But with
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      any actual documents. No.
                                                                regards the Mount St. Mary's -- I'm sorry,
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                                                                the Mount St. Peter's site, is it correct --
               MR. COPPOLA: How about any
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       electronic correspondences?
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               THE WITNESS (Talmadge): No.
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               MR. COPPOLA: Okay.
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               THE WITNESS (Talmadge): No.
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               MR. COPPOLA: So when you
                                                                you visited the site you reviewed it with
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       search a site you generally don't -- is it
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                                                                other professional -- with at least some
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       fair to say that you generally then don't
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      create any records with regard to your
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      examination of that property?
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               THE WITNESS (Talmadge): That
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       is not true. It depends how viable the
                                                                         MR. COPPOLA: If you could
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                                                                        MR. COPPOLA: No, that's not
       speak up? I can't hear you.
                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Yes.
                                                               asked and answered.
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                                                                        THE WITNESS (Talmadge): No.
       Yes.
                                                               You asked if there were any records, no.
                MR. COPPOLA: Okay. And so
       when you -- when you examined this site for
                                                                        MR. COPPOLA: The first time
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       its feasibility --
                                                               he said -- you talked to Mr. Laredo, so I'm
                                                               asking if when he spoke to Mr. Laredo he had
                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Yes.
                                                               given him any records. For example, did he
                MR. COPPOLA: -- whom did you
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                                                               e-mail him anything?
       speak with at Verizon at that time?
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                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Jaime
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      Laredo.
                                                                        MR. COPPOLA: Okay. So is it
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                                                               accurate to say that you merely provided him
                MR. COPPOLA: So after you
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       visited the site, how long -- approximately
                                                               with your own oral description of the site?
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       how long after you visited the site did you
                                                                        THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Yes.
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       contact Mr. Laredo to discuss the feasibility
                                                                        MR. COPPOLA: Okay. And --
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       of that site?
                                                                        THE WITNESS (Rocheville):
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                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): I
                                                               And -- and shown on a map, but yes, it's
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       would say within the month, to give a
                                                               oral.
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                                                                        MR. COPPOLA: And there's no
       guestimate. I mean, it's been a year, so...
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                MR. COPPOLA: Which month?
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                THE WITNESS (Talmadge):
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       August.
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                MR. COPPOLA: Okay. In
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                                                                        THE WITNESS (Talmadge): No.
       August --
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                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): And
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      then we revisited when we got the letter.
                                                                        MR. COPPOLA: Okay. What was
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               MR. COPPOLA: But that's
                                                               your opinion of the site at that time?
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      August of 2013. Right?
                                                                        THE WITNESS (Talmadge): It
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               THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Yes.
                                                               was not a great candidate due to location.
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               MR. COPPOLA: Okay. So you
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      believe that you visited the site sometime
                                                               spoke with Mr. Laredo what did you tell him
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      around August of 2013?
                                                               about this particular site?
               THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Yes.
                                                                        THE WITNESS (Talmadge): We
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                                                               just -- I just usually show him a location
               MR. COPPOLA: And after you
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                                                               and say, will something in this area work, or
      visited the site what did you do as far as
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      communicating with any other professionals at
                                                               do you prefer a different area?
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                                                                        MR. COPPOLA: How did you show
      Verizon?
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                                                               him the location?
               THE WITNESS (Talmadge): I
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      thought I already answered that question. It
                                                                        THE WITNESS (Talmadge): On
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      goes -- it goes back to RF, whether it's
                                                               a -- usually I go to their desk, and it's --
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      Jaime Laredo who's site it would be. With
                                                               they've got the map up, and they'll pull it
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                                                               up on their -- on their map.
      this site it's Jaime's, and they'll decide if
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      it's -- the site is viable.
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               MR. COPPOLA: So when you
                                                               a record with regard to this property when
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      contacted Mr. Laredo, is it correct that you
                                                               you showed it to him?
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      didn't provide him with any records
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      whatsoever regarding the property?
                                                               a Google Earth.
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               MR. BALDWIN: Asked and
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                                                                        MR. COPPOLA: Okay. But I
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      answered, Mr. Chairman. This could go
                                                               just asked you earlier if there was any --
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                                                                        THE WITNESS (Talmadge): The
      on for --
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                                                                          THE WITNESS (Talmadge):
       thing --
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                MR. COPPOLA: Excuse me, if I
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       could finish?
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                                                                 else at Verizon Wireless had reviewed this
                I just asked you earlier if
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       there was any records with regard to this
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                                                                          THE WITNESS (Talmadge): No.
       property that were reviewed including any
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                                                                          MR. COPPOLA: Are you the only
       electronic records?
                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): I
                                                                 person associated with Verizon Wireless who
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                                                                 had an opportunity to inspect the property?
       don't believe that's a record. That's a
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                                                                          THE WITNESS (Talmadge): No.
       Google Earth website. It's not a record.
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                MR. COPPOLA: Okay. So when
                                                                 I can't say that I am. I mean, there's a lot
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                                                                 of employees, I wouldn't be me to say that I
       you reviewed the site with Mr. Laredo, you --
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       is it correct to say that you both looked at
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       a Google map of the property?
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                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): You
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       could say that, yes.
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                MR. COPPOLA: Was that true?
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       Is that what happened?
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                                                                 know who else from Verizon Wireless then
                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Yes.
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       Yes.
                                                                 inspected the property?
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                MR. COPPOLA: Okay. Did you
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Talmadge): No.
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       and Mr. Laredo look at any other pictures or
                                                                          MR. COPPOLA: What were some
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       maps or records of the property at that time?
                                                                 of the reasons that you thought supported
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                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): No.
                                                                 your decision that this property was not a
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                MR. COPPOLA: How does Verizon
                                                                 viable alternate location?
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       Wireless know if you looked at a property if
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Talmadge):
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      there's no records whatsoever of your review
                                                                 Distance from the original search area,
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      of the property?
                                                                 fluctuating ground elevations, and the lack
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               THE WITNESS (Talmadge): I
                                                                 of a buffer.
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      don't know how they know.
                                                                          MR. COPPOLA: So there are
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               MR. COPPOLA: So for example,
                                                                 three reasons then. Is that correct?
      let's say you left, that you were no longer
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Talmadge): And
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      working with Verizon Wireless, how would they
                                                                 depending where it can go, it could be like a
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                                                                 ground space, too, was the thought. Most of
      know if anybody went to the property to
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      determine whether the Mount St. Peter's
                                                                 the cemetery is covered in, you know, it's
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      property is a viable alternate location if
                                                                 filled already for the most part.
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                                                                          MR. COPPOLA: So that would be
      you've created no records whatsoever and
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      you've also created no correspondences
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      whatsoever with regard to your review of the
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Talmadge): That
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      property?
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               THE WITNESS (Talmadge): I
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      guess they wouldn't know, because it wasn't a
                                                                 regard to distance, could you tell me a
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      viable candidate. It wasn't as good a
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      candidate as the proposed site. We don't --
                                                                 requisite distance?
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                                                                          THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Well,
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      we don't spend a lot of time on candidates
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      that we feel aren't as viable as a proposed
                                                                 I think that would be an RF question.
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                                                                          THE WITNESS (Laredo): Okay.
      candidate.
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                                                                 Jaime Laredo. We identified specific search
               MR. COPPOLA: Well, when you
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                                                                 area, and it is less than a mile away from --
      say, we feel, it would actually be you and
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                                                                 from St. Peter's Cemetery. The search area
      Mr. Laredo. Correct?
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       that we identified will satisfy other
                                                                are some circumstances yes, but for this
       objectives in terms of loading, capacity and
                                                                specific one it's not going to work.
       serving the sites and filling some gaps in
                                                                          MR. COPPOLA: But in general,
                                                                is it -- let me ask you this, in general is
       coverage in the area.
                                                                it a Verizon Company policy that if -- that
                MR. COPPOLA: I'm still a
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                                                                if a location is outside of the initial
       little bit confused. Mr. Talmadge, you said
       that distance was one of the issues.
                                                                search area that it cannot be looked at by
       Correct?
                                                                Verizon?
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                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Yes.
                                                                         THE WITNESS (Laredo): We
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                MR. COPPOLA: Okay. And when
                                                                basically try to see what is being planned in
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       you're saying distance, distance from what?
                                                                the area and -- and conclude if another plan
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                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): From
                                                                can be done in order for -- for that specific
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                                                                candidate to work, but for this specific
       the search area that we're given.
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                MR. COPPOLA: Okay. So you're
                                                                candidate it's not going to conform with what
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       saying that this property was too far. Is it
                                                                 we plan in the area.
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       correct to say that you're stating that this
                                                                         MR. COPPOLA: But I'm asking
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       property was too far outside of the search
                                                                in general, today you're here to testify as
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                                                                an expert for Verizon Wireless. Is that
       area?
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                                                                correct?
                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): In my
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                                                                         THE WITNESS (Laredo): That's
       opinion, yes.
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                MR. COPPOLA: In your opinion,
                                                                correct.
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       but actually you asked Mr. Laredo to answer
                                                                         MR. COPPOLA: Okay. So in
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       the question. Correct?
                                                                your capacity as an expert witness on behalf
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                THE WITNESS (Talmadge):
                                                                of Verizon Wireless, is it correct that
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                                                                 Verizon Wireless never looks at other
       Correct. For --
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                MR. COPPOLA: Okay. So is it
                                                                locations outside of an initial search area
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       your opinion or Mr. Laredo's opinion?
                                                                to determine whether, you know, if there's
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                THE WITNESS (Talmadge):
                                                                any other viable alternate locations?
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       Mr. Laredo would have the facts. It was my
                                                                         THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Could
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       opinion, then I -- I go over to Mr. Laredo.
                                                                you rephrase that question?
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                                                                         MR. COPPOLA: Would you like
                MR. COPPOLA: Okay. So
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       Mr. Laredo was it your opinion that this
                                                                me to rephrase the question?
       property was located too far away from your
                                                                         THE WITNESS (Laredo): Yes,
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       search area?
                                                                please.
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                THE WITNESS (Laredo): That's
                                                                         MR. COPPOLA: Okay. So my
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                                                                question is this, in general you have an
       correct.
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                MR. LYNCH: Mr. Laredo. Can
                                                                initial search area. Correct?
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                                                                         THE WITNESS (Laredo): Correct.
       you please speak up? I'm right next to you
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                                                                         MR. COPPOLA: Okay. And so
       and I can't hear you.
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                MS. BACHMAN: There's a
                                                                I'm asking in general if a property, a
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                                                                property is outside of that general search
       microphone there. Just pull it closer to you
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       so your voice will project.
                                                                area, will Verizon ever consider that
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                THE WITNESS (Laredo): That is
                                                                property?
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       correct.
                                                                         THE WITNESS (Laredo): The
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                MR. COPPOLA: But aren't there
                                                                answer is, yes, but we definitely look at it
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       sometimes properties which are outside of
                                                                first, and see if it's --
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       Verizon's search area, initial search area,
                                                                         MR. COPPOLA: Mr. Chairman.
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       which Verizon then determines are, in fact,
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                                                                I'd also like to ask that if I ask the
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       feasible alternate locations?
                                                                witness a question, a direct question, that I
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                THE WITNESS (Laredo): There
                                                                have that witness answer.
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                                                                wireless if there's an issue with the
                If the witness doesn't
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       understand the question or can't answer the
                                                                elevation can't that be addressed by doing
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                                                                certain things such as infill, et cetera?
       question I'd ask the witness to just indicate
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      that he can't answer the question, or doesn't
                                                                         THE WITNESS (Talmadge): It's
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                                                                not my area. I know what you're trying to
       understand the question.
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                THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Let the
                                                                say. I mean, you're talking 50-foot
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                                                                elevation. I'm not an expert to say we're
       Chairman --
                                                                going to do 50 feet of fill to raise the
                MR. COPPOLA: Sure.
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                                                                elevation 50 feet, and that goes back to
                THE CHAIRMAN: I think he's
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                                                                having an extended tower an extra 50 feet.
       answered the question on the general. He's
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       also answered the question on the specific.
                                                                         MR. COPPOLA: But your role
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                                                                with Verizon Wireless is to look at potential
                MR. COPPOLA: Okay.
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                THE CHAIRMAN: So can we
                                                                locations for the siting of a cell tower.
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                                                                Correct?
      please go on?
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                MR. COPPOLA: So the second
                                                                         THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Yeah.
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      reason, Mr. Talmadge, that you cited I
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       believe was that there was an issue with the
                                                                         MR. COPPOLA: Okay. And when
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                                                                you conduct those reviews if there appears to
       ground location. Is that correct?
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                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Groun
                                                                be an issue with elevations, in your
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                                                                experience is that an issue that Verizon
       d location or ground elevation?
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                                                                 Wireless could sometimes deal with?
                MR. COPPOLA: Maybe I
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                                                                         THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Yes,
      misspoke.
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                THE CHAIRMAN: It was ground
                                                                depending on how extensive the elevations are
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                                                                and the area surrounding the elevation.
      elevation.
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                                                                         MR. COPPOLA: I believe the
                MR. COPPOLA: I misunderstood
                                       Page 267
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       it. So ground elevation. Is that correct?
                                                                third issue you cited was buffers. Correct?
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                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Yes.
                                                                         THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Yes.
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                MR. COPPOLA: What was the
                                                                         MR. COPPOLA: Okay. Could you
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       specific issue with the ground elevation
                                                                explain that?
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       here?
                                                                         THE WITNESS (Talmadge):
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                                                                There's not a lot of foliage at the cemetery.
                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): It
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                                                                It's pretty open. There's not many trees
       fluctuated.
                                                                surrounding it. There's not many trees
                MR. COPPOLA: In what way?
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                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Some
                                                                surrounding it from the views to the north,
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       parts where there's no buffer are as high as,
                                                                which are residential neighborhoods
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       I believe, 130 feet, and some are as low as
                                                                across 34.
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       50. The farther you get away from the search
                                                                         MR. COPPOLA: In your
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       area the higher the elevation.
                                                                experience does Verizon Wireless sometimes
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                MR. COPPOLA: But issues of
                                                                plant trees to create buffering?
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                                                                         THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Yes,
       elevation could be dealt with. Is that
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                                                                if I can say that usually for the compounds
       correct?
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                                                                we don't plant 80-foot trees to buffer a
                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): I
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                                                                monopole or a monopine.
       don't know if I'm -- if I can answer that
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       question.
                                                                         MR. COPPOLA: But is it your
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                MR. COPPOLA: Okay. Well, you
                                                                general experience that Verizon Wireless does
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       do site reviews for Verizon Wireless.
                                                                install plantings quite often to try to
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       Correct?
                                                                provide for buffering of either a cell tower
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                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Yes.
                                                                or related facilities?
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                                                                         THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Yes,
                MR. COPPOLA: So when you're
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       looking at a particular site with Verizon
                                                                I believe I just answered that. Yes.
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               MR. COPPOLA: I believe the
                                                                        THE WITNESS (Talmadge): No.
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                                                                        MR. COPPOLA: And did you
      fourth issue here was lack of ground space.
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                                                               testify, I believe, that since your first
      Is that correct?
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                                                               visit, which was in August of 2013, that you
               THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Yes.
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               MR. COPPOLA: So what did you
                                                               visited the property again?
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                                                                        THE WITNESS (Talmadge): I
      mean by that?
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                                                               checked the property out briefly.
               THE WITNESS (Talmadge): From
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      what I saw though my drive around most of the
                                                                        MR. COPPOLA: What do you mean
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      area was taken up by plots already.
                                                               by that?
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               MR. COPPOLA: You say "a drive
                                                                        THE WITNESS (Talmadge): I did
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      around," but you never got out of the car.
                                                               a drive-by.
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      Right?
                                                                        MR. COPPOLA: Okay. When you
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               THE WITNESS (Talmadge): I
                                                               say you did a drive-by, did you go onto the
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      didn't feel I needed to get out of the car,
                                                               property?
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                                                                        THE WITNESS (Talmadge): No.
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                                                                        MR. COPPOLA: Did you examine
               MR. COPPOLA: Okay. But could
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      there have been other areas of the property
                                                               any records with regard to the property?
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                                                                        THE WITNESS (Talmadge): No.
      which you did not have an opportunity to view
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      because you never got out of your car?
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                                                               It was to confirm what I originally thought
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               THE WITNESS (Talmadge): You
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                                                               when I originally reviewed it.
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                                                                        MR. COPPOLA: Okay. But you
      could say that, yes.
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               MR. COPPOLA: Did you have a
                                                               didn't -- but when you did your follow-up
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      map with you, for example, when you viewed
                                                               review of the property you didn't attempt to
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      the property?
                                                               obtain any records with regard to the
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                                                               property?
               THE WITNESS (Talmadge): No.
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                                                                        THE WITNESS (Talmadge): No.
               MR. COPPOLA: So you didn't
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       know where the property lines actually were
                                                                        MR. COPPOLA: So at this point
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       when you did your site visit.
                                                               do you know how many acres the property is?
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               THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Where
                                                                        THE WITNESS (Talmadge): No.
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       the exact property lines were? No.
                                                                        MR. COPPOLA: Do you even know
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               MR. COPPOLA: Did you even
                                                               actually which municipality or municipality
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                                                               this property is located in?
      have an idea where the rough property lines
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                                                                        THE WITNESS (Talmadge): No.
       were?
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                                                                        MR. COPPOLA: Is it correct
               THE WITNESS (Talmadge): To
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      the east, yes, due the road, on Derby Milford
                                                               that you said you contacted the Executive
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       Road, and then the neighboring areas, but not
                                                               Director of the Cemetery's Association, which
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      to the whole property, no.
                                                               is the owner of the property?
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               MR. COPPOLA: And again, you
                                                                        THE WITNESS (Talmadge): I
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                                                               contacted Mr. Pinone. Yes. Yes.
       testified you have no records with you?
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               THE WITNESS (Talmadge): I
                                                                        MR. COPPOLA: Did you have an
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                                                               opportunity to meet with Mr. Pinone.
      have no records, no.
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               MR. COPPOLA: So you didn't
                                                                        THE WITNESS (Talmadge): No.
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       know how many acres actually the property
                                                                        MR. COPPOLA: And why is that?
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       was?
                                                                        THE WITNESS (Talmadge): It
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                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): No.
                                                               just didn't come to fruition. It may, but it
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               MR. COPPOLA: Okay. And so
                                                               didn't.
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      therefore, you didn't have a -- you weren't
                                                                        MR. COPPOLA: So when you
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       able to determine when you did your
                                                               first looked at the property back in August
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       inspection where the property begin and
                                                               of 2013, did you contact the property owner?
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       essentially ended?
                                                                        THE WITNESS (Talmadge): No.
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                MR. COPPOLA: And how did you
                                                                 That's not why I asked.
                                                                          MR. COPPOLA: Okay.
       end up contacting the property owner at this
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                                                                          THE WITNESS (Talmadge): I
       time?
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                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Based
                                                                 asked him for a location because I know plots
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                                                                 get reserved, and space is reserved for
       on the letter to the Council.
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                                                                 burials. So he might have a location that he
                MR. COPPOLA: And was there
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                                                                 prefers that's not going to be used for that.
       also a letter that was sent by Mr. Pinone
                                                                          MR. COPPOLA: So did you ask
       directly to Verizon Wireless?
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                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Yes.
                                                                 him where there were potential locations on
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                                                                 the property that were available?
                MR. COPPOLA: Mr. Chairman, if
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       I may present these exhibits to the Council,
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Talmadge): I
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       a copy of the letter that was sent by
                                                                 e-mailed him and I have not received a
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       Mr. Pinone to Mr. Baldwin, to Attorney
                                                                 response yet.
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       Baldwin, which I was CC'd on, and as well as
                                                                          MR. COPPOLA: And do you have
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       the letter to the Siting Council from
                                                                 a copy of that e-mail?
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       Mr. Benoit.
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Talmadge): I did
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                                                                 not bring a copy of the e-mail.
                If I may approach?
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                THE CHAIRMAN: Attorney
                                                                          MR. COPPOLA: Is that
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                                                                 something that you could provide to us?
       Baldwin, do you want to --
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                                                                          MR. BALDWIN: Mr. Chairman,
                MR. BALDWIN: No objection.
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                                                                 we're spending a lot of time talking about a
                THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. We'll
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                                                                 site. And if the question is simply, does
       take that for what it's worth.
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                MR. COPPOLA: So Mr. Talmadge,
                                                                 the cemetery work, then I think what
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       did Mr. Pinone indicate in writing that the
                                                                 Mr. Talmadge is saying, we need to know from
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       Catholic Cemeteries Association of the
                                                                 Mr. Pinone what portion of the cemetery might
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       Archdiocese of Hartford had an interest in
                                                                 be available. It's a cemetery. What portion
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       having Verizon Wireless look at its property
                                                                 of the cemetery might be available.
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      at the Mount St. Peter Cemetery for a
                                                                          When we hear back from
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       potential cell tower and related facilities?
                                                                 Mr. Pinone about which portion of the
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                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Yes.
                                                                 cemetery might be available what I would
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                MR. COPPOLA: And when this
                                                                 recommend -- perhaps we can shortcut, and I
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                                                                 wish I had said this a while ago, but perhaps
       letter was received by Verizon what actions
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       did you take?
                                                                 we can shortcut some of the cross-examination
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                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): I
                                                                 as it relates to this site, we have another
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      attempted to call as well as Mr. Baldwin. I
                                                                 hearing coming up in September between now
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       also e-mailed Mr. Pinone and requested that
                                                                 and then, we'll connect with Mr. Pinone.
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      he supply a map with a location that he was
                                                                 We'll take a look at the location. We'll
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      thinking based on his letter that he would
                                                                 have RF analyze that location and we'll make
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                                                                 a determination as to whether it's something
      like to see a tower go on his property, so we
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                                                                 that satisfies the needs of the Orange North
      had an idea, since we knew there was a lot of
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                                                                 search area. Maybe that's the way we can
      acreage. We didn't know how much, but there
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                                                                 resolve this, instead of going any further
      was a lot of acreage and we're waiting on a
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      response.
                                                                 into a lengthy discussion.
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                MR. COPPOLA: But Mr. Pinone
                                                                          THE CHAIRMAN: I think that
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       is not -- let me retract that question.
                                                                 makes sense.
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                To the best of your knowledge,
                                                                          MR. COPPOLA: It would be
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       does Mr. Pinone have any knowledge of radio
                                                                 helpful to know, you know, what efforts that
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       frequencies or expertise in where it would be
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                                                                 Verizon makes. And I think we've also --
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       an appropriate location for a tower?
                                                                          THE CHAIRMAN: Well, we'll
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                THE WITNESS (Talmadge): No.
                                                                 find that out in September. Right now I
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                                                                  and vice versa?
       think it's time based on the offer, which I
       think that should say, well, when we see the
                                                                           MR. BALDWIN: Yes, sir.
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       results of the offer, it should satisfy, I
                                                                           SENATOR MURPHY: And any other
       assume there are concerns, or there's a
                                                                  sites we might come across today?
                                                                           MR. BALDWIN: Yeah. Again, I
       rationale why you're doing this
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       cross-examination at this point. And we will
                                                                  think it's a large parcel. It's a cemetery.
                                                                  It's occupied by a lot of graves, and so we
       see in September.
                                                                  just need to figure out where on that
                 And I'd like you to go on to,
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       if you have -- assuming you have another
                                                                  property Mr. Pinone might be willing to
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       subject.
                                                                  consider a tower location.
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                 MR. COPPOLA: I do,
                                                                           SENATOR MURPHY: You really
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       Mr. Chairman. Just one thing. We did
                                                                  don't expect to go traipsing around the
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       request in our discovery request any records
                                                                  cemetery without permission.
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       with regard to any examination or of
                                                                           MR. LYNCH: Mr. Chairman?
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       feasibility of alternate locations such as
                                                                           THE CHAIRMAN: Yes, Mr. Lynch?
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       this one. So I would ask that if there are
                                                                           MR. LYNCH: I'd also like to
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       any records produced, any correspondences,
                                                                  suggest that maybe seeing that the
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       that we receive complying -- that we receive
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                                                                  archdiocese now has a new bishop and a new
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       copies of those as there's an ongoing duty to
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                                                                  administration, that if you're doing an
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       disclose with regard to the discovery
                                                                  investigation of the cemetery, that someone
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       request. So I ask that those be provided to
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                                                                  from the archdiocese should be there.
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       us, and I would hope that those documents be
                                                                           MR. BALDWIN: I think perhaps
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       provided to us in advance of the next
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                                                                  we will invite Mr. Pinone if he's going to
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       hearing. And quite frankly, I hope there's
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                                                                  show us where this tower might go. We're
       an attempt before the next hearing to make a
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                                                                  certainly happy to look at that.
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       genuine effort to determine the feasibility
                                                                           MR. COPPOLA: So is it fair to
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       of this site. And the reason I was asking
                                                                  say then, I guess, will we -- I don't know
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       the questions I did is because I was somewhat
                                                                  how to arrange for it. I guess Attorney
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       surprised that there has been a lack of
                                                                  Baldwin and I could discuss this during a
       effort with regard to the site. So that's
                                                                  break or after the hearing as to how we could
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       something we would like to see, and also
                                                                  arrange for our experts to meet and view the
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       something that the public intervenors, I
                                                                  property.
       would point out, have suggested as well.
                                                                           SENATOR MURPHY: I think
                                                                  you've got to hear from the archdiocese first
                SENATOR MURPHY: I have a
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                                                                  and then coordinate to do it altogether.
       question. Are you going to have your expert
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       also give opinions on these sites as to
                                                                           MR. COPPOLA: There's already
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       whether they're working?
                                                                  been an indication I believe in writing from
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                MR. COPPOLA: We're planning
                                                                  the archdiocese that they're interested in
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       on doing so. Yes.
                                                                  the cell.
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                SENATOR MURPHY: Okav. Well.
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       maybe you can coordinate with Verizon as to
                                                                  indicating they didn't hear any more. So I
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       what this, the location is on the cemetery
                                                                  don't know.
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       and any other place.
                                                                           MR. BALDWIN: We've heard from
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                MR. COPPOLA: I think that's a
                                                                  Mr. Pinone, and we're trying to connect with
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       good idea. We'd be more than willing to do
                                                                  him to find out exactly what's he's talking
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       so if Verizon would like for our expert
                                                                  about.
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       Mr. Maxson to work with their expert.
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                SENATOR MURPHY: So that if
                                                                  connect, connect with your --
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       you hear from the cemetery association you'll
                                                                           MR. BALDWIN: Absolutely.
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Absolutely.

let them know and make sure they've heard,

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1 MR. COPPOLA: All right. The 2 other alternate location, Mr. Talmadge, I 3 wanted to ask you about was Tucker's Ravine, 4 with was referenced by Senator Slossberg in 5 her submittal today. 6 Did you have an opportunity to 7 review that property? 8 THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Yes, 9 a desktop review. 10 MR. COPPOLA: And when was 11 that done? 12 THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Yeah, 13 we reviewed this Monday. This Monday, yeah. 14 MR. COPPOLA: So the first 15 time you reviewed it was yesterday? 16 THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Yes. 17 MR. COPPOLA: So when Verizon 18 Wireless applied for filed this 19 application is it fair to say then that 20 Verizon Wireless had not reviewed this 21 property as a potential alternate location? 22 THE WITNESS (Talmadge): No. 23 This property as, I will say again, was not 24 brought up by the Town as an option, so we 15 no further review of the property was done.	our responses to Mr. Coppola's interrogatories we do talk about the Housatonic overlook parcel, we talk about the fact that it is town owned. If we're going to spend another 45 minutes on cross-examination of whether it was looked at and what the ultimate result would be, I think we might be able to cut to the chase. MR. COPPOLA: Okay. THE CHAIRMAN: Can you do that, Attorney Coppola? MR. COPPOLA: Yeah. Is this a potential property that could achieve Verizon's, either achieve Verizon's all of Verizon's coverage needs as part of this application, or even part Verizon's coverage needs as part of this application? THE WITNESS (Libertine): I think that's a question for RF, but as I stated earlier it's my understanding that it's just not it's simply not available from the State's perspective. SENATOR MURPHY: I guess the first question is to determine whether the
MR. COPPOLA: So Verizon Wireless only reviews sites that are suggested by a town? THE WITNESS (Talmadge): No, that's not what I said. No, this property was not reviewed prior to our application. MR. ASHTON: Pick your voice up please, Mr. Talmadge. THE WITNESS (Talmadge): No, this was not reviewed prior to application. MR. COPPOLA: Okay. So when Verizon's application was filed this property was not looked at as a potential alternate location. Is that correct? THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Correct. Yes. THE WITNESS (Talmadge): Correct. Yes. THE CHAIRMAN: But let me just follow up. But this is town-owned property? MR. COPPOLA: Yes, it is town-owned property. MR. BALDWIN: Mr. Chairman, Mr. Coppola cannot testify. He's doing a lot of it now and I think we need to start getting back to questions and answers. I would also point out that in	Town was interested. THE CHAIRMAN: Normally in these procedures the town, if they have property SENATOR MURPHY: They tell them. THE CHAIRMAN: they tell them. THE CHAIRMAN: they tell them. I mean, there's a whole process, and I'm sure you know, Attorney Coppola. THE WITNESS (Libertine): And they did provide the Town did provide certain properties. This was not one of them. And then we looked into it to more thoroughly, and because of the restriction it was taken off the table. It was just not a viable site. So again, whether it worked from an RF perspective, I'm not sure if that really is relevant. MR. COPPOLA: But is it correct that Senator Slossberg has indicated today in and her submittal to the Council that, in fact, this might be a property that could be used for the construction of a cell tower, related facilities?

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Page 286 THE WITNESS (Libertine): 2 Absolutely. And we've seen a similar letter 3 on probably half a dozen or dozen dockets in the 15 or so years that I've been involved, and every time we've gone back to the State 6 of Connecticut, DEP, or DEEP, in this case. we have gotten the same line which is, it's

not available for development.

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MR. COPPOLA: But is it correct that here Senator Slossberg has provided written testimony that, in fact, she believes it is a viable alternate location and that, in fact, there may be an opportunity to -- for it to be used?

MR. BALDWIN: Mr. Chairman --THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. I've got a homework assignment. We have September. Please get us something from the town officials that states that this is either available or not. And whichever party wants to do that, because beyond that we're going to continue this going around and around.

Don't we want to know from the town, because it is the jurisdiction of the Town. Right?

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we're going to go through the same process that we went through on the cemetery. MR. COPPOLA: Understood.

THE CHAIRMAN: So I'd like you to suggest how we might move this forward rather than say, we have one letter from one individual and we have a response which apparently you are not happy with, or whatever, but --

MR. COPPOLA: I wouldn't --THE CHAIRMAN: -- I don't know how to go beyond this other than, since we're not closing the hearing today, we have reasonably ample time to get a more affirmative response, but we need it, I believe, from the Council's standpoint, we need it from the Town.

MR. COPPOLA: Mr. Chairman, I would just point out to you the only reason I even know about this property is because after the first hearing the First Selectman suggested to my clients and I that, you know, this was a property that, but for his assumption that it wasn't -- that there was restriction from the State, would have been a

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Chairman --

THE CHAIRMAN: I believe it's the jurisdiction of the Town, so we need to know. We've heard from the Applicant that they did not receive any affirmative response from the Town that this property would be available.

MR. COPPOLA: And Mr.

If you're questioning that, then we have to continue response, but I don't think a legislator can just -- maybe she has conferred with the Town and the Town now has changed their mind, but we need that information from the town. So, we have --

> MR. COPPOLA: It's my --THE CHAIRMAN: -- we have

September. We have another hearing. So I think this is a perfectly good opportunity to get that information.

MR. COPPOLA: I'd just point out to you, Mr. Chairman, since you directed the issue to me, the only reason I even knew --

THE CHAIRMAN: Well, I'm objecting to either party, because otherwise

viable property. And at that point we checked with --

MR. BALDWIN: Mr. Chairman, I object. This is testimony from Mr. Coppola. It's hearsay testimony from Mr. Coppola. The only evidence, and it's not even evidence in the record yet, is a letter from Senator Slossberg who states -- and in it she states

9 her opinion as to what the possible use of 10 this parcel may be. I agree with the

11 Chairman. Until the Town says it's a viable 12 location to even consider, that's step one. 13

Then we've got to deal with the conservation restrictions. That's step two. And then we

15 can deal with a process, and simply a process 16 that Senator Slossberg establishes in her

17 letter whereby the Commissioner of DEEP might 18 be able to lift certain restrictions. And

19 then we've got to talk about a process by 20 which we would go and do that. So you know,

21 I think we take step one and move on from 22 there.

23 SENATOR MURPHY: And by 24 September's hearing date. DR. KLEMENS: I think this has

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                                                                 information submitted by the Applicants for
       been answered in the attachment that the
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       Applicant submitted. The restrictions, I
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       don't even see why, to me, what the data they
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       produced, it's the whole attachment in the
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Laredo): That's
       response to the interrogatories. I think.
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       pretty clear that that property is encumbered
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       by restrictions, was purchased with public
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       funds as open space. I don't see how this
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       could be considered a viable location.
                                                                 Cellco's May 13, 2014, application on page 2,
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                                                                 is it correct that the proposed plan is for
                THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you.
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                And if you have anything by
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       September that you want to submit to the
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                                                                          THE WITNESS (Laredo): That's
       contrary that would be great, but we have the
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       response from the Applicant and so will you
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       please go and continue with your
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       cross-examination?
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                MR. COPPOLA: I would submit
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       that information per you request,
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       Mr. Chairman.
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                THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you.
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                MR. COPPOLA: Mr. Laredo, is
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                                                                 means in terms of timing?
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       engineer?
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                THE WITNESS (Laredo): That's
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       correct.
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                                                                 we can begin to trend the capacity demand of
                MR. COPPOLA: I apologize. A
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       radio frequency design engineer. I misspoke.
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       Is that correct?
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                THE WITNESS (Laredo): RF
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       design engineer, that's correct.
                                                                 Orange North cell site in order to provide
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                MR. COPPOLA: And in fact, you
                                                                 additional LTE capacity and coverage to our
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                                                                 customers at a different frequency band.
       submitted prefiled testimony on behalf of the
       Applicant with the Council that's dated
                                                                          MR. COPPOLA: So Mr. Laredo,
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       July 8, 2014. Correct?
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                THE WITNESS (Laredo): That's
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                MR. COPPOLA: Is it fair to
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       say that you are a senior RF engineer for the
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Latorre): Jay
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       subject property -- or I should say subject
                                                                 Latorre. It would be inappropriate for us to
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                THE WITNESS (Laredo): Can you
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       repeat that question for me, please?
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                MR. COPPOLA: Is it fair to
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       say that you are a senior RF engineer for the
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       subject project?
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                THE WITNESS (Laredo): I'm
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       just an RF engineer.
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                MR. COPPOLA: Is it fair to
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       say that you are the engineer who is
                                                                 say that you don't know what the timetable
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       responsible for the coverage and capacity
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       that site?
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                                                                          THE WITNESS (Laredo): Can you
                 THE WITNESS (Latorre): Jay
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                                                                 repeat? Please, sir, repeat that for me?
       Latorre. At this point in time, that would
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                                                                          MR. COPPOLA: According to the
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                 MR. COPPOLA: Thank you.
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                 MR. LYNCH: Mr. Coppola, can I
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                                                                 reasons why Verizon Wireless filed this
       just ask one question?
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                 MR. COPPOLA: Sure.
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                 MR. LYNCH: If in the future
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       you don't add any more frequencies this site
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       just stays at capacity at the site. Is that
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       correct? You don't have voice IP, or
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       anything like that?
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                 THE WITNESS (Latorre): Jay
                                                                 of coverage gaps?
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       Latorre. In that event in which you
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       describe, then that would be somewhat
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       correct, although I would also state that
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       this site does also have some coverage
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       objectives that the proposed Orange North
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       facility achieves as well. There are gaps
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                                                                          THE WITNESS (Laredo): That is
       identified in our prefiled testimony that
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       shows how the proposed site will fill some
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       coverage gaps for us.
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                 MR. LYNCH: But as of right
                                                                 reference, I'm reading from page 2 of the
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       now they're not filling those gaps. They're
                                                                 application.
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      just capacity?
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                THE WITNESS (Latorre): Jay
                                                                 second reason was to provide significant
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      Latorre. To clarify, the proposed Orange
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       North facility, if constructed as in our
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       application today, when brought on air will
                                                                 and Orange 3 cell sites?
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      fill some of the -- the identified gaps shown
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Laredo): It
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      in our coverage maps provided to the Council.
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      So although the primary purpose is
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      capacity --
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                MR. LYNCH: But for delivering
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       data, not for delivering voice?
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Laredo): Yes.
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                THE WITNESS (Latorre): Jay
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      Latorre. In the event that Verizon Wireless
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       did not deploy our voice over LTE service at
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      this site, you would be correct in your
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                                                                 relief is the primary objective?
      statement. I can only attest to, at this
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                                                                          THE WITNESS (Laredo): That's
       time, there is no reason for me to believe or
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      think that Verizon Wireless would not deploy
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                                                                          MR. COPPOLA: If you look at
       our voice over LTE service at this site.
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                MR. LYNCH: Understood.
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                Thank you, Attorney Coppola.
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                MR. COPPOLA: Mr. Laredo, is
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      it correct that according to page 2 of the
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       application at least initially Verizon's
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      reasons for filing this application were
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                MR. COPPOLA: Likewise at
                                                                 address the issue that there's also been
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       pages 11 to 12 of the application, the Cellco
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       statement, the six adjacent tower sites do
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       not satisfy Cellco's need for additional
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       coverage, and more importantly, capacity
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                                                                 application speaks for itself, because
       relief?
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                MR. BALDWIN: Mr. Chairman,
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       the application speaks for itself.
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                THE CHAIRMAN: It's in
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                                                                 Applicant has submitted since then, including
       writing. He said the same thing three times.
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       Again, can you get the point?
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                MR. COPPOLA: Yeah, I'm asking
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       some foundation questions to get to my point.
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                THE CHAIRMAN: But you've
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                                                                 ask him about the discrepancies instead of
       asked it three times. It appears in
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       black-and-white three times. He said, yes,
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       three times. I just --
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                MR. COPPOLA: I understand
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                                                                 an evidentiary hearing to try to lay a
       that he --
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                                                                 foundation before you proceed with questions.
                THE CHAIRMAN: I don't
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                                                                 That's what I'm trying to do, Mr. Chairman.
       understand.
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                MR. COPPOLA: I'll try to move
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       things along, Mr. Chairman. I'm just trying
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       to lay a foundation for the questions we're
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       asking for the witness to confirm different
                                                                          THE CHAIRMAN: Go ahead.
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       information for each question. I'll try to
                                                                         THE WITNESS (Latorre): Jay
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       move along.
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                THE CHAIRMAN: Please.
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                MR. COPPOLA: Now I just want
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       to focus on Cellco's stated concerns
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       regarding capacity in general in a
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       nontechnical sense. First, at page 9 of the
                                                                         THE CHAIRMAN: Unless you want
       application, does it state that the proposed
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       facility would provide significant capacity
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       relief to all six of the adjacent tower
                                                                 would like, I'm more than happy. Either way.
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                                                                         THE CHAIRMAN: No, I'm willing
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                MR. BALDWIN: The application
                                                                 to go for another 15 minutes. I'd like to
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       speaks for itself, Mr. Chairman.
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                MR. COPPOLA: Mr. Chairman,
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       I've asked a question of a witness.
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                MR. BALDWIN: It says -- the
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       application establishes the foundation that
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       you're looking for. What's the question?
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                MR. COPPOLA: That was the
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       question.
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                THE CHAIRMAN: I'll give you
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       it. All right. What's the --
                                                                 take a ten-minute break. We'll take it until
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                MR. COPPOLA: The question was
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       that there's six sites that I was looking to
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       get to. And there's also been some -- and to
                                                                 from 3:19 p.m. until 3:34 p.m.)
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THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. We're going to continue with the cross-examination, Attorney Coppola, but we're going to end this session at 4, and then we'll have September 16th is when we'll have the

continuing, but --

asked --

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MR. COPPOLA: Mr. Chairman, then granting a forward, before I get started I'd like to request on behalf of the Intervenors in this action that the property owner be ordered to attend the next hearing, and the reason why is -- actually there's multiple reasons why. This Council has

THE CHAIRMAN: The answer is no. We cannot order where this -- well, I'm going to ask Attorney Bachman before you get into a lengthy --

MR. COPPOLA: Well, could I just state what the -- just the basic reasons are, that there has been questions about where this tower could be located elsewhere on the property and there's -- it's been indicated in the testimony that the --

THE CHAIRMAN: No, I

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care to comment?

MR. BALDWIN: Again, it is not our practice either to bring property owners in. We have a contract with the property owner for a portion of the property which is indicated on the lease exhibit, which is included in the application and the plans included in the application.

Based on the Council's second set of interrogatories we had some subsequent conversations that Mr. Libertine referred to, any -- any change from the leased parcel would require additional landlord approval, but I think Mr. Libertine testified as to some level of degree of agreement from the property owner as to, you know, if it were to move, how far it would move and what the preference is. I'm not sure we need the property owner to comment beyond that.

MR. COPPOLA: But I think that's exactly the point here. I mean, if you're asking for the tower to be moved over a certain amount of feet, they're going to need to know if the landlord, if it's acceptable to the landlord.

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understand that.

MR. COPPOLA: -- farmers had a say in that, so --

THE CHAIRMAN: But before we get into that, like some of these other questions you've asked, there is an initial -- the question is whether the Council can order, so I would Like Attorney Bachman to respond to that.

MS. BACHMAN: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Ordinarily in these type of proceedings the property owner is not a witness. Certainly they have a contract or a lease agreement with the carrier who is requesting to construct a tower. The Council typically would not subpoena any witnesses, especially the property owner. I would allow Attorney Baldwin, if you would care to remark on the request, but I'm just going to indicate right now it's not even in this Council's real scope of authority to subpoena a private party who's entered into a contract with a party.

But Attorney Baldwin, if you

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So while I would respect the opinion of your legal counsel that you cannot subpoena or order someone to come here, I would ask that you respectfully ask the applicant to bring the property owner here for the simple reason that if we ask questions about where this tower could potentially be relocated on the property they're going to need to find out exactly what the landlord in this case is willing to allow.

Quite frankly, my assumption -- our assumption is that there's going to be a willingness to -- or a lack of willingness to have the tower go closer to Mr. Bespuda's house, but nonetheless we think it would be helpful to have Mr. Bespuda here so when we ask those questions the response we get is not going to be, we haven't talked to the landlord, but rather, you know, the landlord could respond. So that's our request on the record, Mr. Chairman.

THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. And I think based on questions from the Council, particularly from Mr. Ashton, I think the

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Applicant's team can probably elicit to the extent that there may be flexibility without having the individual actually be here for cross-examination, but that's really up to Mr. Baldwin.

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But again, Attorney Bachman has made it clear that its not really the purview of the Council to order that.

MR. COPPOLA: But it would certainly be helpful to know the extent to which the landlord is willing to allow the tower to be moved on the property. So that's a good idea, Mr. Chairman, and I hope that it's taken under consideration by the Applicant.

MR. BALDWIN: It's not our first rodeo, Mr. Chairman. We have some direction. We'll talk to the property owner.

> THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you. Continue, please.

MR. COPPOLA: Mr. Laredo, if I continue, I would like to reference page 9 of the application. And I tried to count up here the cell sites and the sectors that were referenced in the first full paragraph on

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THE WITNESS (Latorre): No,

that -- that is not correct. We have submitted in Attachment 2 data regarding

three sectors at the Shelton 2 Connecticut

4 Beta Sector, the Orange 2 Connecticut Gamma

Sector and the Orange 3 Connecticut Alpha

Sector, which currently, based on our

internal capacity trending has determined

that at this point in time our projected

10 exhaust will extend for those three

particular sectors beyond 2016.

12 MR. COPPOLA: Okay. So just for clarification purposes then, is it

14 correct that instead -- that instead of six 15

sites being exhausted by 2016, that now has 16 been changed to three sites -- or let me

17 rephrase the question. Let me retract the 18

question and ask it again.

Is it correct to say that the capacity limit that is cited on page 9 of the application which was expected for 2016, is

22 now limited to three sectors, as you've just

23 referenced on Attachment 2 of the Applicant's 2.4

recent submittal on August 5, 2014?

THE WITNESS (Latorre): I

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Is that correct then that the proposed facility will -- per your application, in particular page 9 of the application, is it correct to say that the proposed facility will provide significant capacity relief to a total of eight sectors among six cell sites?

THE WITNESS (Latorre): Jay Latorre. That's correct.

MR. COPPOLA: If I may, then just clarification with regard to the last sentence in the first paragraph, does Verizon still maintain that the operation of each of the surrounding antenna sectors is reaching or is forecast to reach their respective capacity limits by 2016?

THE WITNESS (Latorre): Could you restate your question, please?

MR. COPPOLA: Okay. Is it still the case that Verizon -- that it's -that it's Verizon's position that the operation of each of the surrounding antenna sectors is reaching or is forecast to reach

their respective capacity limits by 2016?

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would submit to you that all six of these sites will receive some capacity relief

through the deployment of our proposed Orange

North Connecticut location, with the three

sites, Milford Northeast, Derby, and Derby

North seeing the most immediate capacity

relief due to their increased capacity demand

based on our current trending.

MR. COPPOLA: Okay. But you didn't answer my question. My question I thought was clear. I'll try to repeat it and I'll try to rephrase it so that it's more clear for you.

On page 9 of the application it's my understanding that Verizon had claimed that there were six sites in eight sectors that would reach respective capacity limits by 2016. And my question is, now is it true that now Verizon has limited that, essentially that statement to three sectors which are referenced on Attachment 2, which was attached to your response on August 5, 2014?

THE WITNESS (Latorre): I want to make sure we -- we clarify this, because

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in the beginning of that paragraph, we -- we state -- and I'll just reread it for everyone's benefit -- that the proposed Orange North facility will provide significant capacity relief to Cellco's, and then we go onto speak of the sectors associated with the six sites. That is still true.

SENATOR MURPHY: That's not what he asked you.

THE WITNESS (Latorre): The specific question as far as forecasted to reach their respective capacity limits by 2016, yes, that number is three.

MR. COPPOLA: I'd like to go to -- reference you to the Applicant's response to the Siting Council's request for additional information dated August 5th on the same Attachment 2.

MR. LYNCH: Attorney Coppola, your voice is fading now, too. Could you keep it up, please?

MR. COPPOLA: Okay. If I could just reference you to the second page of Attachment 2 to the Applicant's response

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MR. COPPOLA: So if I could just draw your attention to page 3 of Attachment 2, the same -- yeah, page 3 of Attachment 2 of the same document.

So in fact looking at the chart on page 3, is it correct that the summary and associated data support Cellco's need for capacity relief for Shelton 2 Beta, Orange 2 Gamma and Orange 3 Alpha aren't projected to be exhausted for more than three years?

THE WITNESS (Latorre): Could you restate your question?

MR. COPPOLA: Okay. Looking at page 3 of the Attachment 2, is it correct to state that with regard to the last three sectors cited on the chart, those being Shelton 2, Orange 2, and Orange 3, that those particular sectors are not projected to be exhausted for more than three years?

THE WITNESS (Latorre): That's correct.

MR. COPPOLA: So is it correct then that what started out as a primary objective of providing significant capacity

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to Siting Council's request for additional

information dated August 5, 2014.
First, I just want to confirm that there were some changes made to that page which were submitted today. Correct?

THE WITNESS (Latorre): Yes. The attachment, Exhibit 9, Attachment 2, that was submitted to the Council today, was changed to reflect a summary of the data that was attached, the charts that are attached with this attachment. Because we are having a capacity discussion and this is something new for the Council to address, we had found in our analysis that our charts were showing 12 months of data, but our -- our summary was discussing the data in terms of an 18-month trend. Although as Attorney Baldwin correctly stated earlier today, that the data that was submitted regarding the 18-month summary is in fact accurate, we felt it prudent to also submit a summary showing the 12-month period, so that for the benefit of all parties there was a clear summary

description of the charts that were submitted

as part of the -- of the testimony.

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relief for eight sectors at six sites is now down to only three sectors with regard to -- to the relief?

THE WITNESS (Latorre): No, I would state that is incorrect. As I mentioned before, although only three sectors that we have shown here in the chart are currently projecting exhaustion, the creation of the Orange North proposed facility would provide capacity relief to all six sectors.

The notion that a sector has to be approaching exhaustion in order for it to receive capacity relief is not necessarily correlated. A sector may not necessarily be at exhaustion yet, but still receive capacity relief by the creation of a new cell site which will allow it to share some of the traffic.

MR. COPPOLA: But now it's only three sectors. Correct? That we're talking about with regard to the exhaustion?

MR. BALDWIN: I think we've answered the question, Mr. Chairman.

MR. COPPOLA: I'm just trying to -- so how do you know then that the Orange

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       North site would provide relief to all of the
                                                                 Latorre. Approximately in this chart it's
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                                                                 shown to be about 4900 megabytes.
       sites?
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                THE WITNESS (Latorre): Based
                                                                          MR. COPPOLA: And on that same
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                                                                 chart is that same line also shown as just
       on our RF modeling we show that the projected
       RF footprint will -- of the Orange North
                                                                 under 3500? I apologize. Let me retract
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       facility will provide overlapping coverage to
                                                                 that question. I'm sorry.
       each of the six sectors, or I should say, the
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       six sites identified in our prefiled
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       testimony. Therefore, once the site is
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       created, the proposed Orange North facility
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Latorre): As of
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       will, by the nature of overlap, allow
                                                                 June of 2014, in the busy hour, yes.
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       customers to utilize the proposed facility in
                                                                          MR. COPPOLA: And that was
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       areas of overlap where currently today they
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                                                                 actually just under 3500. Correct?
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       have no additional cell site option for them
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Latorre):
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       to access the LTE network.
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                MR. COPPOLA: I'd like to draw
                                                                 page 3 and look at the first cell, Milford
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       your attention to the chart on Attachment 2
                                                                 Northeast Alpha, you will see that the
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                                                                 forward data volume referring to it in June
       of the same document, which I believe is
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       page 4. It's titled, "Milford NE CT Alpha
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                                                                 of 2014, is 3444. So just under 3500.
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       Sector Exhaust Analysis Data."
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                Lunderstand from this
                                                                 answered a couple of my questions.
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       document that it represents the amount of
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       data sent over that sector in the busiest
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       hour of the month. Is that correct?
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                THE WITNESS (Laredo): That's
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Latorre): Yes.
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                                                                          MR. COPPOLA: Let's look at
       correct.
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                 MR. COPPOLA: And how is
                                                                 the FDV, the forward data volume for the
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                                                                 Derby Connecticut Beta, on the table, which I
       forward data volume measured?
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                                                                 believe page 3 of Exhibit 2. And what is the
                 THE WITNESS (Laredo): Jaime
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       Laredo. It's a total accumulation of
                                                                 forward data volume for that site? You could
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       downlink data traffic and a specific busy
                                                                 find that on the table.
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       hour, as stated in -- in our response.
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Latorre): There
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                 MR. COPPOLA: And is forward
                                                                 -- there appears to be conflicting data here
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                                                                 that we will need to address. To answer your
       data volume measured in megabytes?
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                 THE WITNESS (Laredo): That's
                                                                 question in the summary on page 3, the
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                                                                 forward data volume is stated as 3838.65.
       correct.
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                                                                          MR. COPPOLA: What was that
                 MR. COPPOLA: What is
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       "forward," as that term is used in the chart?
                                                                 number again? It was the 3838?
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                                                                          THE WITNESS (Latorre): I
                 THE WITNESS (Laredo): I'm
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       sorry. Can you please --
                                                                 think we've seen what we found.
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                 MR. COPPOLA: What does
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       forward mean as is referenced in that chart?
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                 THE WITNESS (Latorre): Jay
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       Latorre. It represents downlink data, which
                                                                 Mr. Laredo has pointed out to my attention
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       means a user requesting data from the
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                                                                 everyone can see this. So this would be on
       network.
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                 MR. COPPOLA: And looking at
                                                                 page one, two, three, four, five -- it
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       the red line on that chart, the capacity of
                                                                 appears that the charts for the Derby
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       the Milford NE sector is given as what?
                                                                 Connecticut Beta Sector and the Derby North
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                 THE WITNESS (Latorre): Jay
                                                                 Connecticut Gamma sector are one and the
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      same. And this is a clerical error.
                                                                         THE WITNESS (Laredo): That's
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               So I would refer you back to
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      the summary page on 3 to answer your
                                                                        MR. COPPOLA: And it has
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      question, Derby Connecticut Beta, forward
                                                                nothing to do then with 850 megahertz or 1900
      data volume for the month of June 2014, as
                                                                megahertz?
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       3838.65.
                                                                         THE WITNESS (Laredo): That is
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               MR. BALDWIN: Mr. Chairman, we
                                                                correct.
      can supplement that response with the
                                                                        MR. COPPOLA: Let's look at
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      corresponding graphs of the Derby Beta Sector
                                                                the forward data volumes again on -- let me
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      analysis.
                                                                retract that question, just because I know we
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               THE CHAIRMAN: This may be a
                                                                only have two minutes.
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      good time to just -- unless you have one or
                                                                         With the table is showing the
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      two more specifically on this subject?
                                                                Derby Beta is the busiest sector, is it
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               MR. COPPOLA: Yeah. Just a
                                                                correct that the next busiest sector is the
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      few follow-ups on this subject.
                                                                Milford NE CT Alpha at 3444?
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               THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Go
                                                                        THE WITNESS (Latorre): Jay
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                                                                Latorre. In regards to forward data volume,
      ahead.
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               MR. COPPOLA: Again, on
                                                                ves.
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       Attachment 2, the red line on the forward
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                                                                        MR. COPPOLA: Okay. And is it
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      data volume chart is for maximum one-hour
                                                                correct that the third busiest sector is the
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      capacity of the LTE on that sector. Is that
                                                                Derby North Gamma?
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      correct?
                                                                        THE WITNESS (Latorre): In
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               THE WITNESS (Laredo): Jaime
                                                                regards to forward data volume, yes.
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      Laredo. It's actually one hour total
                                                                        MR. COPPOLA: And these three
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      downlink data traffic data downloaded for
                                                                sectors are highlighted on the table meaning
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                                                                 that these three sectors are projected to be
       that specific sector.
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                                                                 overutilized in the next year or so. Is that
                MR. COPPOLA: Is that for LTE?
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                THE WITNESS (Laredo): Yes.
                                                                 correct? And when I say --
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                MR. COPPOLA: Does your
                                                                         THE WITNESS (Latorre): Within
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       response conflict with what has been
                                                                 the next year to year and a half.
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       submitted so far with regard to that issue?
                                                                          MR. COPPOLA: And you've
                THE WITNESS (Laredo): Can you
                                                                 specifically highlighted dates for that to
       please repeat the question for me?
                                                                 take place. Is that correct?
                MR. COPPOLA: Does your
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Latorre):
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       testimony now conflict with any of the
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       information you've submitted with regard to
                                                                          MR. COPPOLA: All right. And
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       that particular issue?
                                                                 so let's just look at the table. There are
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                THE WITNESS (Laredo): I'm
                                                                 three sectors that do not have highlighted
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       actually referring to your original question
                                                                 dates. Is that correct?
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       before that. Just to make sure I understand
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Latorre): That's
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       your question.
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                MR. COPPOLA: Let me ask you a
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       few more questions to make you understand
                                                                 these three sectors then which are not
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       where I'm going with this. Is the red line
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       as cited on page 4, Attachment 2, of one
                                                                 proposed facility. Is that correct?
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       frequency band, like 700 megahertz?
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Laredo): Jaime
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                THE WITNESS (Laredo): That's
                                                                 Laredo. Even the fact that they're not going
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                                                                 to be exhaust in the next three years, to
       correct.
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                MR. COPPOLA: So that does not
                                                                 that point it's correct.
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       include 21 megahertz. Is that correct?
                                                                         MR. COPPOLA: You also said
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       that the proposed facility wold provide
                                                                 Our judgment is that when this Orange North
       significant capacity relief to a lesser
                                                                 Connecticut site is built this will provide
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       extent to the Milford NE Alpha Sector. Is
                                                                 capacity relief because we have positioned it
                                                                 in an area where our current Alpha Sector of
       that correct?
                THE WITNESS (Latorre): Jay
                                                                 the Milford Northeast cell site is currently
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       Latorre. I would state that it provides
                                                                 serving some of the capacity demand along
                                                                 with the other sectors in the area.
       significant capacity relief to that sector.
                MR. COPPOLA: How do you
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       arrive at the conclusion about the Milford NE
                                                                 say, "it's your judgment," what do you mean
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       Alpha?
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                THE WITNESS (Latorre): I
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       would refer you back to the coverage maps.
                                                                 Through our expert RF analysis.
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                MR. COPPOLA: Okay.
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                THE WITNESS (Latorre): As
                                                                 question, Mr. Chairman, is just looking at
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       well as -- Mr. Laredo, can you tell me --
                                                                 the coverage map that you've drawn our
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                MR. COPPOLA: The coverage
                                                                 attention to here, with regard to -- and
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       maps being where?
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                                                                 Tab 6 of the original application. The
                THE WITNESS (Latorre):
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                                                                 purple area that's indicated on that map,
       Mr. Baldwin, could you cite that for us,
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                                                                 does that indicate where the new facility
       please?
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                MR. BALDWIN: Exhibit 11,
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                                                                 existing facilities?
       Attachment 3.
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                MR. COPPOLA: And that's in
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Latorre): Jay
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       the original application?
                                                                 Latorre. This indicates the proposed
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                MR. BALDWIN: No, these are
                                                                 facility's 700 megahertz coverage footprint.
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       Applicant's Exhibit 11. These are our
                                                                          MR. COPPOLA: Okay. But just
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       responses to Intervenor's interrogatories.
                                                                 so for my understanding my question is this,
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       There are coverage maps included in
                                                                 does that indicate where the new facility
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       Attachment 3, the coverage maps are also
                                                                 will provide significant capacity relief to
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      included in the application behind Tab 6.
                                                                 existing facilities?
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                MR. COPPOLA: Are they the
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Latorre): Jay
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       same coverage maps?
                                                                 Latorre. Where the purple coverage overlaps
                MR. BALDWIN: They are same
                                                                 with the existing coverage in the dark shade
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      coverage maps.
                                                                 of gray there will be capacity relief for
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                                                                 those sectors.
                THE CHAIRMAN: I don't know,
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                                                                          MR. COPPOLA: And that would
       are we waiting for a response?
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               MR. COPPOLA: I was waiting
                                                                 be significant capacity relief?
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       for a response, but if you'd like
                                                                          THE WITNESS (Latorre): Based
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       Mr. Chairman, I can proceed with my -- I only
                                                                 on the analysis provided we feel that,
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      have one final question.
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                THE WITNESS (Latorre): On
                                                                 provide capacity relief, significant capacity
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                                                                 relief to the sectors identified.
       that page we show the existing Milford
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       Northeast -- the existing Milford Northeast
                                                                          MR. COPPOLA: Thank you very
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       Alpha Sector, which we refer to as an
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      orientation of 30 degrees -- 30 degrees which
                                                                          Mr. Chairman, this may be a
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       would be an approximate northeast
                                                                 good time for me to end, I think.
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      orientation. And you will see that that
                                                                          THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very
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      sector that we cite as exhausting, this
                                                                 much, Attorney Coppola.
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       sector points roughly into the area where the
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       Orange North CT proposed facility is located.
                                                                 evidentiary portion of this hearing in New
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Britain on Tuesday, September 16th. And I'm now told it will be at 11:00 a.m. So that doesn't mean you have six extra hours. Please note that anyone who has not become a party or intervenor but desires to make his or her views known to the Council may file written statements with the Council until 30 days after the record closes. Again, copies of the transcript of the hearing will be filed at the Orange Town Clerk's office and the Shelton City Clerk's Office. I guess this portion of the evidentiary hearing is therefore closed, to be continued September 16th. (Whereupon, the witnesses were excused and the above proceedings were adjourned at 4:07 p.m.)	1 INDEX 2 WITNESSES JAIME LAREDO 3 JUAN LATORRE 4 DOUGLAS TALMADGE 5 MICHAEL LIBERTINE 6 DEAN GUSTAFSON 7 HARRY M. ROCHEVILLE, JR Page 171 EXAMINATION 8 Mr. Mercier Page 179 9 Mr. Coppola Page 246 10 EXHIBITS (Admitted in evidence.) 12 EXHIBIT DESCRIPTION PAGE 11-B-8 Applicant's Resubmittal 178 13 All-Points Technology Corporation Wetland Investigation Report, dated May 2, 2014, including missing page 2 dated July 23, 2014 15 II-B-9 Applicant's Response to 178 Council Request for Additional Information, dated August 5, 2014 16 Council Interrogatories, Set II, dated August 5, 2014 17 II-B-10 Applicant's Responses to 178 Council Interrogatories, Set II, dated August 5, 2014 18 II-B-11 Applicant's Responses to 178 Intervenor Subbloie, et al, Interrogatories, Part I, dated August 5, 2014 18 II-B-12 Applicant's Responses to 178 Intervenor Subbloie, et al, Interrogatories, Part II, dated August 7, 2014 19 II-B-13 Resume of Douglas Talmadge, 178 Structure Consulting Group
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