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DATE: January 22, 2015

TO: Council Members

FROM: Melanie Bachman, Acting Executive Director W

RE: DOCKET NO. 455 - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless application for a

Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at Southington Tax

Assessor Map/Lot 066053, 99 East Street, Southington, Connecticut.

I. Introduction

The application is from Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless (Verizon) for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility, which would include a 90-foot tower, disguised as a pine tree, and associated equipment, in the Town of Southington, Connecticut.

II. Technical

The application includes relevant maps, descriptions of the proposed site, costs, a description of the environmental effects of the proposed construction, and health and safety information. The application meets statutory technical requirements for processing the application. Council staff believes additional information can be obtained through pre-hearing interrogatories. This project would not require an outside consultant.

III. Administrative Review

The applicant has stated that all service and filing requirements pursuant to General Statutes § 16-501 (b) have been fulfilled. The applicant stated that notice to the general public was published in the Meriden Record-Journal.

IV. Procedural

The Council must schedule a hearing for the proceeding between 30 and 150 days after receipt of an application. The Council must also appoint a custodian of the docket and designate a place for the deposition of the transcript. Staff recommends designating Carriann Mulcahy as custodian of the docket, holding the public hearing in the Town of Southington on Tuesday, March 10, 2015, and depositing the transcript in the Southington Town Hall.

Siting Analyst: David Martin

Enclosure: Schedule

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