

## STATE OF CONNECTICUT

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## VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

DATE:

June 22, 2015

TO:

Parties and Intervenors

FROM:

Melanie A. Bachman, Acting Executive Director

RE:

**DOCKET NO. 458** – Florida Tower Partners LLC d/b/a North Atlantic Towers Application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation, of a telecommunications facility at one of two locations at Bethel Tax Assessor's Map 65, Block 57, Lot 122, 62-64

Codfish Hill Road, Bethel, Connecticut.

Please be advised that Connecticut Siting Council (Council) member, Dr. Michael Klemens has been retained by the Town of Bethel as a consultant to assist with the development of a management plan for an open space parcel recently purchased by the Town of Bethel on Hickock Avenue. Several years ago, Dr. Klemens conducted studies on the Hickock Avenue parcel that identified a noteworthy population of Eastern Box Turtles. The Town of Bethel retained Dr. Klemens to advise the town on how best to manage and monitor the site, particularly with respect to long term monitoring and control of invasive shrubbery.

In the interests of full disclosure, the Council wishes to inform all participants that Dr. Klemens hopes to fully participate in this proceeding notwithstanding his engagement with the Town of Bethel on the development of a management plan for the open space parcel located on Hickock Avenue. The Council informs all parties and intervenors of Dr. Klemens' involvement to determine whether any party or intervenor has any objection to Dr. Klemens participating in the Council's consideration of the above-referenced pending matter.

Please inform the Council on or before July 7, 2015 should you have any concerns regarding Dr. Klemens' full participation in this matter.

Thank you.

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