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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

July 10, 2017

TO:

Parties & Intervenors

FROM:

Melanie A. Bachman, Executive Director

RE:

DOCKET NO. 471 - 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 Hamden Tax Assessor's Map 2826, Block 24, 208 Kirk

Road (a/k/a 1075 Paradise Avenue), Hamden, Connecticut.

Pursuant to Section 16-50n(f) of the Connecticut General Statutes and Section 16-50j-26 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, at the conclusion of the evidentiary hearing session held on June 13, 2017, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) closed the evidentiary record for this matter and established July 13, 2017 as the date by which briefs and proposed findings of fact may be submitted to the Council by parties and intervenors, as well as established July 13, 2017 as the date by which additional written limited appearance statements may be filed with the Council.

On July 7, 2017, the Council received correspondence from Attorney Bridget D'Angelo on behalf of Patricia Sorrentino, a party in this proceeding, regarding recommendations and preferences on the location and construction of the proposed telecommunications facility and possible site concealment measures.

This matter will be placed on the Council's July 20, 2017 meeting agenda for consideration of whether or not to reopen the evidentiary record to allow for additional cross examination of Patricia Sorrentino on the statements in her July 7, 2017 correspondence. Parties or intervenors who would like the opportunity to cross examine Patricia Sorrentino on the statements in her July 7, 2017 correspondence are requested to notify the Council and the service list for this matter of such an intent to cross examine on or before the close of business on July 17, 2017.

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c: Council Members





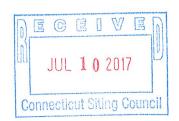


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July 7, 2017

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

Attorney Melanie Bachman Executive Director Connecticut Siting Council Ten Franklin Square New Britain, CT 06051



Re: Docket No. 471 – Clarification of Patricia Sorrentino Testimony

Dear Attorney Bachman:

At the hearing on June 13, 2017, Connecticut Siting Council members and staff asked Ms. Patricia Sorrentino a series of questions concerning potential preferences for diminishing the proposed tower's visibility and related screening issues specific to the site designated as Alternate Site Two. Although the record does not adequately support the need for the proposed tower or demonstrate the Applicant's exploration of bona fide alternatives, Ms. Sorrentino sincerely appreciates the opportunity to provide preferences on the construction of the cell tower and site concealment measures for Alternative Site Two (her preferred location).

If the Council does approve a tower site on this property, then Ms. Sorrentino recommends that the decision require the Applicant to utilize a monopine tower construction. An example of such monopine construction is shown on Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof.²

Ms. Sorrentino also has recommendations regarding the fence for the compound and the antennas attached to the tower structure. She respectfully requests that the Council require a stained wood fence for the compound and the fence for the access road be located at least twelve (12) feet off the cul-de-sac to minimize the industrial look

¹ Transcript ("Tr.") 6/13/2017 at 94-108.

² This depiction is from p. 26 of the Council's cell tower photo book.

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of the area. Finally, Ms. Sorrentino recommends that the Council direct the Applicant to paint the antennas the same color as the tower and cluster the antennas that will be affixed to the tower, rather than have them spread out over the cell tower structure.

Please include this letter as Ms. Sorrentino's recommendations in the record of Docket No. 471. Ms. Sorrentino appreciates the Council's courtesy and thoughtful consideration of these comments.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this submission. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Bridget D'Angelo

Attorney for Patricia Sorrentino

Enclosure

cc: Service List – Docket No. 471 (w/enc)

Burt Cohen, Esq.

FREE STANDING

Towers can be disguised as trees, flagpoles, grain silos, clock towers, observation stations among other things. Camouflaged towers make up approximately four percent of new tower construction. Construction of camouflaged towers is more expensive than other tower types.



Figure-28. 127 New Hartford Road in Barkhamsted, CT. Photograph taken in January of 2004.

