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May 12, 2017

TO: Parties & Intervenors

FROM: Melanie Bachman, Executive Director *MB*

RE: **DOCKET NO. 473** - Homeland Towers, LLC and 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 515 Morehouse Road, Easton, Connecticut.

Enclosed please find a copy of the Council's notice of public hearing for the above-referenced matter.

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c: Secretary of the State
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HEARING NOTICE

Pursuant to provisions of Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50m and § 16-50j-21 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, notice is hereby given that the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, June 20, 2017, beginning with an evidentiary session at 3:00 p.m., and continuing with a public comment session at 7:00 p.m., at the Easton Public Library Community Room, 691 Morehouse Road, Easton, Connecticut, and thereafter as necessary. The hearing will be on an application from Homeland Towers, LLC and 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 515 Morehouse Road, Easton, Connecticut.

The purpose of the hearing is to hear evidence on the applicant's contentions that the public need for the facility outweighs any adverse environmental effects that would result from the construction, operation, and maintenance of the project. The 3:00 p.m. evidentiary session will provide the applicant, parties, and intervenors an opportunity to cross-examine positions. The 7:00 p.m. public comment session will be reserved for the public to make brief statements into the record. Cross-examination of parties and intervenors will resume, if necessary, after all statements have been heard.

The Council will conduct a public field review of the proposed project on Tuesday, June 20, 2017, beginning at 2:00 p.m.

Applicable law for this proceeding includes the Public Utility Environmental Standards Act, General Statutes § 16-50g, et seq., and Sections 16-50j-1, et seq., of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

The Council directs that all testimony and exhibits be pre-filed with the Council and all parties and intervenors by June 13, 2017. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan, the Council requests that all filings be submitted on recyclable paper. Please avoid using heavy stock paper, colored paper, and metal or plastic binders and separators.

Individuals are encouraged to participate through their elected officials, and other party/intervenor groupings.

Any person seeking to be named or admitted as a party or intervenor to the proceeding may file a written request to be so designated at the office of the Connecticut Siting Council, 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut, 06051, on or before June 13, 2017.

Parties and intervenors will be allowed to submit briefs and proposed findings of fact within 30 days after the close of the hearing.



Any person who is not a party or intervenor to this proceeding may file a written statement with the Council up to 30 days after the close of the hearing. Such statements will become part of the record. No written statement or any other information will be accepted from any person not a party or intervenor to the proceeding after 30 days following the close of the hearing, except as otherwise prescribed by law or the Council.

A verbatim transcript of the hearing session will be made and deposited with the Town Clerk's Office of the Towns of Easton and Fairfield for the convenience of the public.

Requests for information in alternative formats or for sign-language interpreter services must be submitted in writing by June 13, 2017.

The applicant is represented by the following:

Applicant

Its Representative

Homeland Towers, LLC and Cellco Partnership
d/b/a Verizon Wireless

Kenneth C. Baldwin, Esq.
Robinson & Cole LLP
280 Trumbull Street
Hartford, CT 06103-3597

A copy of the application is available for review at the Council's office during office hours at 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut, (860) 827-2935 or on the Council website at <http://www.ct.gov/csc> under the link "Pending Matters." The Council has assigned this application Docket No. 473.

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(VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL)

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TO: Christopher B. Fisher, Esq., Cuddy & Feder LLP
Michele G. Briggs, AT&T Mobility
Thomas Regan, Esq., Brown Rudnick LLP
Sam Simons, T-Mobile
Michele Thomas, T-Mobile

FROM: Melanie Bachman, Executive Director *MBB*

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In furtherance of the state tower sharing policy pursuant to C.G.S. §16-50aa, we ask that each telecommunications carrier affirmatively state whether that carrier would likely seek to be located on this proposed facility at any time within the foreseeable future. If any carrier would like to participate in this proceeding, a response on or before June 13, 2017, will be appreciated.

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TO: Commissioner Robert Klee
Dept. of Energy & Environmental Protection

Commissioner Dr. Raul Pino
Department of Public Health

Chairman Katie Dykes
Public Utilities Regulatory Authority

Commissioner Catherine Smith
Department of Economic and
Community Development

Robert Bruno, Director of Planning,
Engineering & Environmental
Connecticut Airport Authority

Todd Levine
Historian/Environmental Reviewer
State Historic Preservation Office

Commissioner Steven Reviczky
Department of Agriculture

Karl Wagener, Executive Director
Council on Environmental Quality

Benjamin Barnes, Secretary
Office of Policy and Management

Thomas A. Harley, P.E., Chief Engineer
Bureau of Engineering and Construction
Department of Transportation

Kevin Dillon, Executive Director
Connecticut Airport Authority

Commissioner Dora B. Schriro
Department of Emergency Services
and Public Protection

FROM: Melanie Bachman, Executive Director *MB*

RE: **DOCKET NO. 473** - Homeland Towers, LLC and Celco 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 515
Morehouse Road, Easton, Connecticut.

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50j(g), the Connecticut Siting Council hereby solicits your written comments on the above-referenced application. Your response on or before June 13, 2017 would be appreciated. Additional written comments may be submitted at any time while the application is pending until the evidentiary record closes.

You may access the application and other documents for this proceeding, including the application schedule, on our website at www.ct.gov/csc under the link "Pending Matters."

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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

May 12, 2017

TO: Classified/Legal Supervisor
473170512
The Easton Courier
16 Bailey Avenue
Ridgefield, CT 06877

FROM: Lisa A. Mathews, Office Assistant

RE: **DOCKET NO. 473** - Homeland Towers, LLC and 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 515 Morehouse Road, Easton, Connecticut.

Please provide a quote with an affidavit of publication for the attached legal notice for one day, except on Saturday, Sunday, or holiday.

Pursuant to General Statutes § 16-50m(c), the general notice to be public shall be published in its entirety in not less than **TEN POINT BOLDFACE TYPE**. If you have any questions concerning the ten point type, please contact me. If your newspaper does not have ten point type, please so state and also state the size type actually used in the legal notice.

Please respond to siting.council@ct.gov with the quote at your earliest convenience. Thank you.



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Janet Haller
Administrative Assistant to the First Selectman
Town of Easton
Town Hall
225 Center Road
Easton, CT 06612

RE: **DOCKET NO. 473** - Homeland Towers, LLC and 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 515
Morehouse Road, Easton, Connecticut.

Dear Ms. Haller:

Confirming our telephone conversation of April 24, 2017, I appreciate the reservation of the
Community Room at the Easton Public Library for a public hearing on June 20, 2017 from 1:00 p.m.
to 10:00 p.m.

For your information, I have attached a general plan for seating arrangements.

If any other information is needed, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

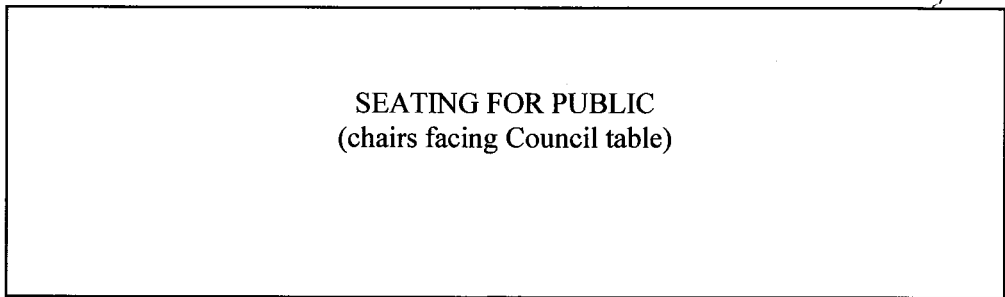
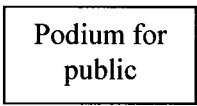
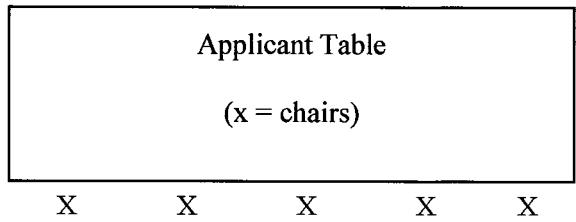
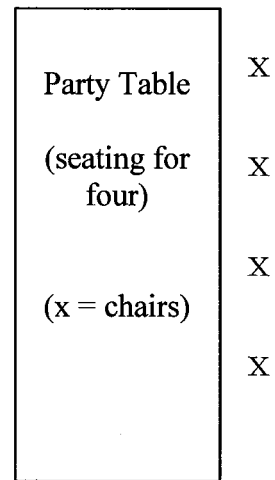
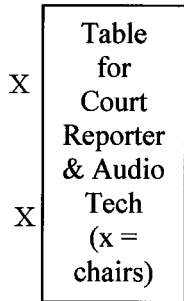
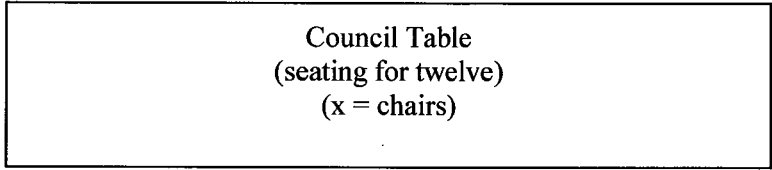
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Office Assistant

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May 12, 2017

The Honorable Adam W. Dunsby
First Selectman
Town of Easton
Town Hall
225 Center Road
Easton, CT 06612

RE: **Hearing Date** - June 20, 2017 in connection with **DOCKET NO. 473** - Homeland Towers, LLC and 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 515 Morehouse Road, Easton, Connecticut.

Dear First Selectman Dunsby:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) has scheduled a public hearing in your municipality in connection with the above-referenced application. Pursuant to C.G.S. §16-50m, at least one hearing session shall be held at a location selected by the Council in the county in which the facility or any part thereof is to be located after 6:30 PM for the convenience of the general public. Accordingly, I am extending to you my personal invitation to participate in the public hearing that is scheduled on June 20, 2017.

After an application is filed with the Council, a public inspection of the proposed site and at least one public hearing are held in the host municipality to hear concerns from residents. The municipality's participation at the public hearing may take many forms. Municipal officials may request Party or Intervenor Status to actively participate in the evidentiary portion of the public hearing, present oral statements to the Council during the public comment session of the public hearing or submit written statements to the Council at any time before, during or within 30 days after the close of the public hearing.

Our staff is available to assist you in understanding our process and your options. In the event that you have legal questions, please contact our Staff Attorney Melanie Bachman at (860) 827-2951.

The Council weighs many issues before rendering its decisions. We encourage you to take part in our public hearing process.

Sincerely,

Robert Stein
Chairman

RS/RDM/lm



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May 12, 2017

The Honorable Michael C. Tetreau
First Selectman
Town of Fairfield
Town Hall
725 Old Post Road
Fairfield, CT 06824

RE: **Hearing Date** – June 20, 2017 in connection with **DOCKET NO. 473** - Homeland Towers, LLC and Celco 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 515 Morehouse Road, Easton, Connecticut.

Dear First Selectman Tetreau:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) has received an application for the above referenced matter that proposes the construction of a 150-foot telecommunications tower in the Town of Easton. The Town of Fairfield is within 2,500 feet of the proposed facility. Connecticut General Statutes §16-50(b) requires applicants to provide notice and serve a copy of the application on municipalities within 2,500 feet of a proposed facility. Accordingly, I am extending to you my personal invitation to participate in the public hearing for this proceeding that is scheduled in the Town of Easton on Tuesday, June 20, 2017.

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