

#### CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

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November 13, 2017

TO:

Parties & Intervenors

FROM:

Melanie Bachman, Executive Director

RE:

**DOCKET NO. 479** - Tarpon Towers II, 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 380 Horace Street, Bridgeport, 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
Council Members
Application Service Recipients
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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, January 23, 2018, beginning with an evidentiary session at 3:00 p.m., and continuing with a public comment session at 6:30 p.m., at the Bridgeport City Hall, Council Chambers, 45 Lyon Terrace, Bridgeport, Connecticut, and thereafter as necessary. The hearing will be on an application from Tarpon Towers II, 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 380 Horace Street, Bridgeport, Connecticut.

The purpose of the hearing is to hear evidence on the applicants' 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 6:30 p.m. public comment session will be reserved for the public to make brief statements into the record. Cross-examination of parties and intervenors may resume, if necessary, after all statements have been heard.

The Council will conduct a public field review of the proposed project on Tuesday, January 23, 2018, 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 January 16, 2018. 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 January 16, 2018.

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 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 City Clerk's Office of the Bridgeport City Hall for the convenience of the public.

Requests for information in alternative formats or for sign-language interpreter services must be submitted in writing by January 16, 2018.

The applicant is represented by the following:

## **Applicant**

## Its Representative

Tarpon Towers II, 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 <a href="http://www.ct.gov/csc">http://www.ct.gov/csc</a> under the link "Pending Matters." The Council has assigned this application Docket No. 479.

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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 Jessica Rincon, AT&T Mobility Sara Brady, AT&T Mobility

Thomas Regan, Esq., Brown Rudnick LLP

Sam Simons, T-Mobile Michele Thomas, T-Mobile Jessica Herman, T-Mobile

FROM:

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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 January 16, 2018, will be appreciated.

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TO: Commissioner Robert Klee

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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

RE:

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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 January 16, 2018 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 <a href="https://www.ct.gov/csc">www.ct.gov/csc</a> under the link "Pending Matters."

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The Honorable Joseph P. Ganim Mayor City of Bridgeport Margaret E. Morton Government Center 999 Broad Street Bridgeport, CT 06604

RE: **DOCKET NO. 479** - Tarpon Towers II, 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 380 Horace Street, Bridgeport, Connecticut.

Dear Mayor Ganim:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) has scheduled a public hearing in the City of Bridgeport 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. I am writing to invite you to participate in the public hearing that is scheduled on January 23, 2018.

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. A 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 Executive Director/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

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November 13, 2017

Althea Williams
City Clerk's Office
Bridgeport City Hall
45 Lyon Terrace
Bridgeport, CT 06604
althea.williams@bridgeportct.gov

RE: **DOCKET NO. 479** - Tarpon Towers II, 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 380 Horace Street, Bridgeport, Connecticut.

Dear Ms. Williams:

Confirming our telephone conversation of November 1, 2017, I appreciate the reservation of the Council Chambers at the Bridgeport City Hall for a public hearing on Tuesday, January 23, 2018 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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Lisa A. Mathews Office Assistant

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## Seating Arrangements:

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SEATING FOR PUBLIC (chairs facing Council table)



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#### VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

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TO:

Classified/Legal Supervisor

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The Connecticut Post 410 State Street

Bridgeport, CT 06604

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FROM:

Lisa A. Mathews, Office Assistant

RE:

**DOCKET NO. 479** - Tarpon Towers II, 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 380 Horace Street, Bridgeport, Connecticut.

Please publish the attached legal notice for one day on the first day possible from receipt of this notice, 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 in your affidavit.

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

Please send affidavit of publication and invoice to:

Connecticut Siting Council 10 Franklin Square New Britain, CT 06051

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