



STATE OF CONNECTICUT

CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

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August 3, 2018

TO: Parties & Intervenors

FROM: Melanie Bachman, Executive Director *MB*

RE: **DOCKET NO. 484** - 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 at one of three locations at 72 Ragged Hill Road, Pomfret, Connecticut.

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

MB/RDM/lm

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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, September 18, 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 Abington Congregational Church, Fellowship Hall, 542 Hampton Road, Pomfret, Connecticut, and thereafter as necessary. The hearing will be on an application from 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 at one of three locations at 72 Ragged Hill Road, Pomfret, 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 6:30 p.m. public comment session will be reserved for the public to make brief statements into the record.

The Council will conduct a public field review of the proposed project on Tuesday, September 18, 2018, beginning at 1:30 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 September 11, 2018. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan, the Council requests that all filings be submitted on recyclable paper.

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 Council, 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut, 06051, on or before September 11, 2018.

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

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 evidentiary record. No written statement or any other information will be accepted after 30 days following the close of the evidentiary record, except as otherwise prescribed by law or the Council.

A verbatim transcript of the hearing will be made and deposited with the Town Clerk's Offices of the Pomfret, Eastford and Woodstock Town Halls for the convenience of the public.

Requests for information in alternative formats or for sign-language interpreter services must be submitted in writing by September 11, 2018.

The applicant is represented by the following:

Applicant

Its Representative

Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless

Kenneth C. Baldwin, Esq.
Robinson & Cole LLP
280 Trumbull Street
Hartford, CT 06133-3597

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. 484.

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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

Peter Hearn, 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

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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 September 11, 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 www.ct.gov/csc under the link "Pending Matters."

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TO: Christopher B. Fisher, Esq., Cuddy & Feder LLP
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, Esq., T-Mobile

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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 September 11, 2018, would be appreciated.

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The Honorable Maureen A. Nicholson
First Selectman
Town of Pomfret
Town Hall
5 Haven Road
Pomfret Center, CT 06259

RE: **DOCKET NO. 484** - 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 at one of three locations at 72 Ragged Hill Road, Pomfret, Connecticut.

Dear First Selectman Nicholson:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) has scheduled a public hearing in the Town of Pomfret 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 September 18, 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 evidentiary record.

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.

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Sincerely,

Robert Stein
Chairman

RS/RDM/lm



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The Honorable Jacqueline Dubois
First Selectman
Town of Eastford
Town Office Building
16 Westford Road
Eastford, CT 06242

RE: Hearing Date – September 18, 2018 in connection with **DOCKET NO. 484** - 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 at one of three locations at 72 Ragged Hill Road, Pomfret, Connecticut.

Dear First Selectman Dubois:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) has received an application for the above referenced matter that proposes the construction of a telecommunications tower in the Town of Pomfret. The Town of Eastford 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. I am writing to invite you to participate in the public hearing that is scheduled in the Town of Pomfret on Tuesday, September 18, 2018.

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The Honorable Michael L. Alberts
First Selectman
Town of Woodstock
Town Office Building
415 Route 169
Woodstock, CT 06281

RE: Hearing Date – September 18, 2018 in connection with **DOCKET NO. 484** - 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 at one of three locations at 72 Ragged Hill Road, Pomfret, Connecticut

Dear First Selectman Alberts:


The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) has received an application for the above referenced matter that proposes the construction of a telecommunications tower in the Town of Pomfret. The Town of Woodstock 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. I am writing to invite you to participate in the public hearing that is scheduled in the Town of Pomfret on Tuesday, September 18, 2018.

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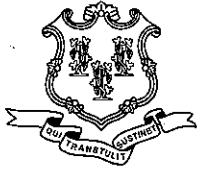
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Dave Platt
Abington Congregational Church
542 Hampton Road
Pomfret, CT 06259

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Dear Mr. Platt:

Confirming our telephone conversation of July 19, 2018, I appreciate the reservation of the Fellowship Hall at the Abington Congregational Church property in Pomfret for a public hearing on September 18, 2018 from noon to 10:00 p.m.

For your information, I have attached a general plan for seating arrangements. Please contact me if Abington Congregational Church cannot accommodate the attached meeting layout.

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

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Lisa A. Mathews
Office Assistant

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Seating Arrangements:

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Council Table
(seating for twelve)
(x = chairs)

X
X
Table
for
Court
Reporter
& Audio
Tech
(x =
chairs)

Party Table
(seating for
four)
(x = chairs)
X
X
X
X

Applicant Table
(x = chairs)

X X X X X

Podium for
public

SEATING FOR PUBLIC
(chairs facing Council table)



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TO: Classified/Legal Supervisor
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The Norwich Bulletin
10 Railroad Place
Norwich, CT 06360
classifieds@norwichbulletin.com

FROM: Lisa A. Mathews, Office Assistant ^{UM}

RE: **DOCKET NO. 484** - 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 at one of three locations at 72 Ragged Hill Road, Pomfret, Connecticut.

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

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 send affidavit of publication and invoice to: Connecticut Siting Council
10 Franklin Square
New Britain, CT 06051

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