



# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

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November 4, 2006

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RE: **EM-VER-003-061012** - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless notice of intent to modify an existing telecommunications facility located at 99 Knowlton Hill Road, Ashford, Connecticut.

Dear Attorney Baldwin:

At a public meeting held on October 31, 2006, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) acknowledged your notice to modify this existing telecommunications facility, pursuant to Section 16-50j-73 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

The proposed modifications are to be implemented as specified here and in your notice dated October 12, 2006, including the placement of all necessary equipment and shelters within the tower compound. The modifications are in compliance with the exception criteria in Section 16-50j-72 (b) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies as changes to an existing facility site that would not increase tower height, extend the boundaries of the tower site, increase noise levels at the tower site boundary by six decibels, and increase the total radio frequencies electromagnetic radiation power density measured at the tower site boundary to or above the standard adopted by the State Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to General Statutes § 22a-162. This facility has also been carefully modeled to ensure that radio frequency emissions are conservatively below State and federal standards applicable to the frequencies now used on this tower.

This decision is under the exclusive jurisdiction of the Council. Please be advised that the validity of this action shall expire one year from the date of this letter. Any additional change to this facility will require explicit notice to this agency pursuant to Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Section 16-50j-73. Such notice shall include all relevant information regarding the proposed change with cumulative worst-case modeling of radio frequency exposure at the closest point of uncontrolled access to the tower base, consistent with Federal Communications Commission, Office of Engineering and Technology, Bulletin 65. Any deviation from this format may result in the Council implementing enforcement proceedings pursuant to General Statutes § 16-50u including, without limitation, imposition of expenses resulting from such failure and of civil penalties in an amount not less than one thousand dollars per day for each day of construction or operation in material violation.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Very truly yours,

Daniel F. Caruso  
Chairman

DFC/MP/laf

- c: The Honorable Ralph H. Fletcher, First Selectman, Town of Ashford  
Richard Dziadus, Zoning Enforcement Officer, Town of Ashford  
David Vivian, Site Development Manager, Gridcom  
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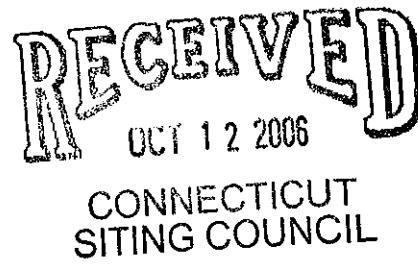
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October 12, 2006

*Via Hand Delivery*

S. Derek Phelps  
Executive Director  
Connecticut Siting Council  
10 Franklin Square  
New Britain, CT 06051



Re: **Notice of Exempt Modification**  
**99 Knowlton Hill Road**  
**Ashford, Connecticut**

Dear Mr. Phelps:

Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless ("Cellco") intends to install antennas on the existing 150-foot self-supporting monopole tower owned by National Grid Wireless, Inc. at 99 Knowlton Hill Road in Ashford, Connecticut. Please accept this letter as notification pursuant to R.C.S.A. § 16-50j-73, for construction that constitutes an exempt modification pursuant to R.C.S.A. § 16-50j-72(b)(2). In accordance with R.C.S.A. § 16-50j-73, a copy of this letter is being sent to Ashford First Selectman, Ralph H. Fletcher.

The facility consists of a 150-foot self-supporting monopole tower capable of supporting multiple carriers within a fenced compound at 99 Knowlton Hill Road in Ashford. The tower is currently shared by T-Mobile at the 147-foot level; and New Cingular Wireless at the 137-foot level. Cellco proposes to install twelve (12) panel-type antennas at the 127-foot level on the tower and place a 12' x 30' single-story equipment shelter on the ground near the base of the tower within the existing fenced compound. Attached behind Tab 1 are Project Plans for the proposed Cellco facility.

The planned modifications to the Ashford facility fall squarely within those activities explicitly provided for in R.C.S.A. § 16-50j-72(b)(2).

1. The proposed modification will not increase the overall height of the existing tower. Cellco's antennas will be mounted with their centerline at the 127-foot level on the 150-foot tower.



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2. The proposed installation of a 12' x 30' equipment shelter will not require an extension of the fenced compound or leased area.

3. The proposed installation will not increase the noise levels at the facility by six decibels or more.

4. The operation of the antennas will not increase radio frequency (RF) power density levels at the facility to a level at or above the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) adopted safety standard. The cumulative worst-case RF power density calculations for the existing carriers and proposed Celco antennas would be 23.33% of the FCC standard. A copy of the cumulative power density calculations table is attached behind Tab 2.

Also attached, behind Tab 3, is a Structural Letter stating that the tower can support the existing and proposed antennas and associated equipment.

For the foregoing reasons, Cellco respectfully submits that the proposed antenna installation at the facility constitutes an exempt modification under R.C.S.A. § 16-50j-72(b)(2).

Sincerely,



Kenneth C. Baldwin

Attachments

Copy to:

Ralph H. Fletcher, Ashford First Selectman  
Sandy M. Carter





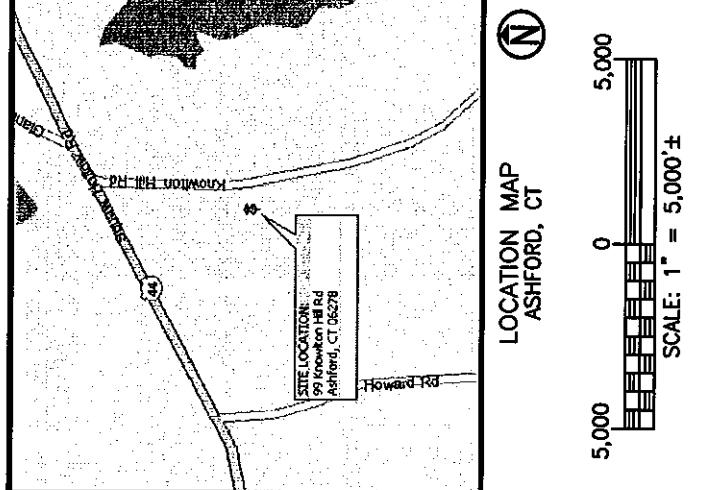
Cellco Partnership

**ASHFORD WEST 2**  
99 KNOWLTON HILL ROAD  
ASHFORD, CT 06278

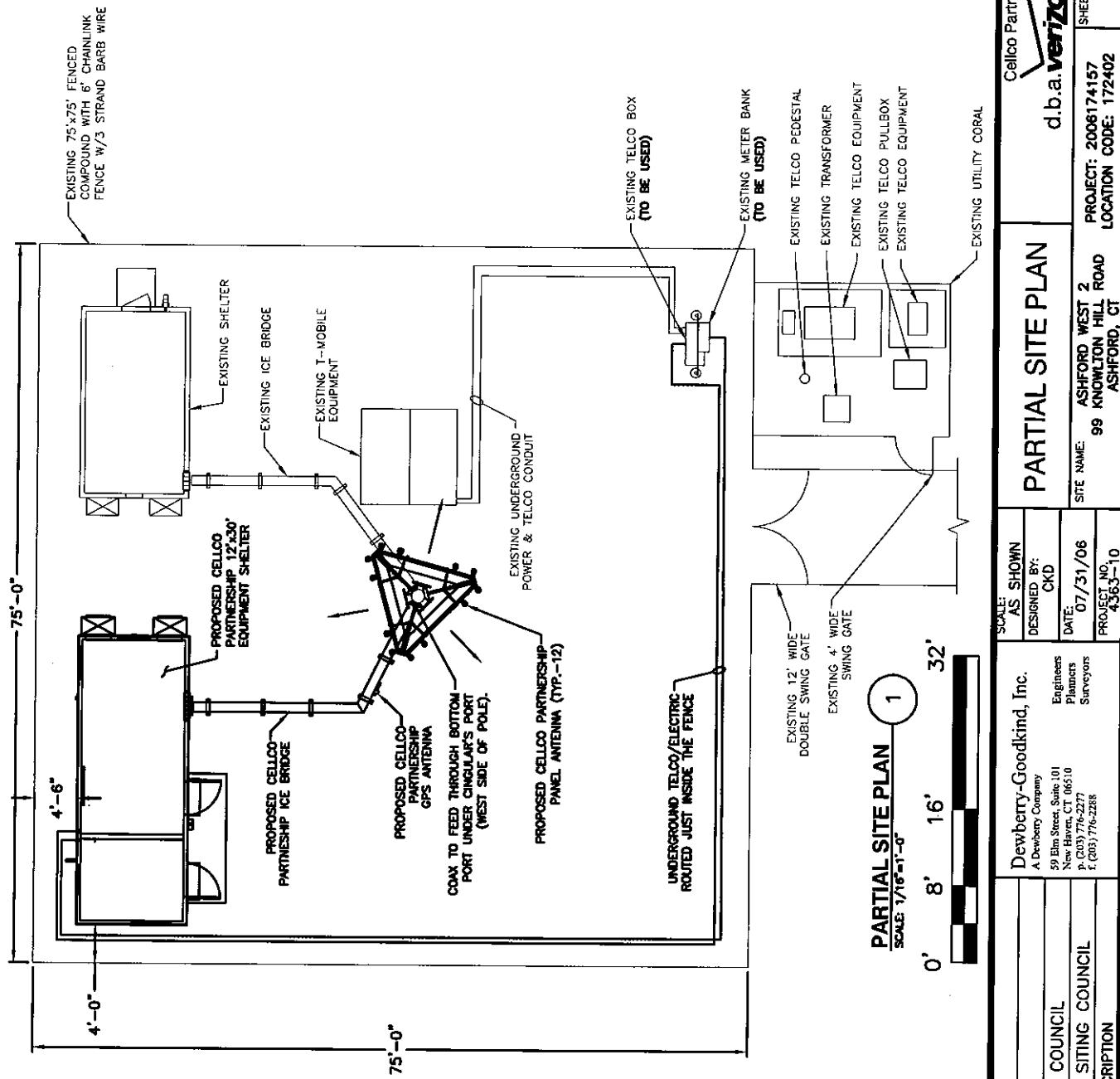
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**STRUCTURAL NOTE:**  
NEW CONSTRUCTION REPRESENTED ON THESE PLANS IS  
PROPOSED, PREDICATED ON THE REQUIREMENT THAT A  
STRUCTURAL ANALYSIS BE PERFORMED BY A LICENSED  
CONNECTICUT PROFESSIONAL STRUCTURAL ENGINEER AND  
CERTIFICATION IS GIVEN BY THE ENGINEER THAT THE  
EXISTING TOWER AND ALL EXISTING AND PROPOSED  
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AND ANY REQUIRED IMPROVEMENTS AND REINFORCEMENTS  
HAVE SUFFICIENT STRUCTURAL CAPACITY AND COMPLY WITH  
THE CONNECTICUT BUILDING CODE AND ALL APPLICABLE  
EIA/TIA CRITERIA. NO WORK PROPOSED HEREON SHALL BE  
PROGRESSSED WITHOUT CONFIRMATION OF THIS CERTIFICATION

**DIRECTIONS (FROM HARTFORD, CT):**  
TAKE I-84 EAST TO EXIT 69.  
TAKE RIGHT OFF EXIT ONTO RT-74 EAST.  
FOLLOW RT-74E TO RT-44 WEST.  
RIGHT ONTO RT-44W AND FOLLOW TO  
KNOWLTON HILL ROAD AND TURN LEFT.  
SITE IS LOCATED BEHIND THE BARNs ON THE RIGHT.



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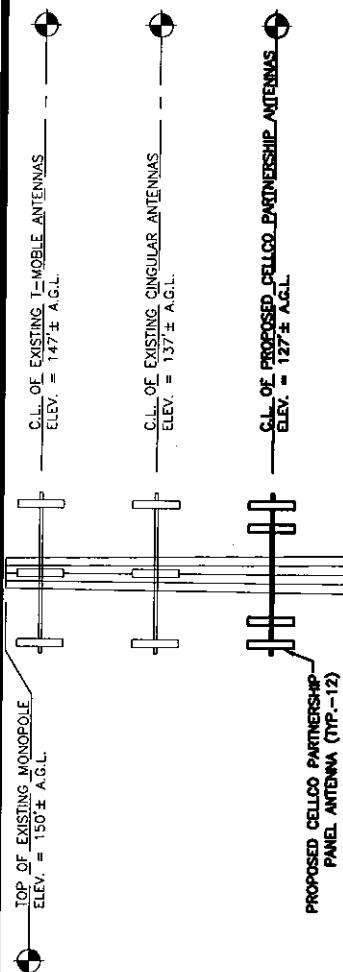
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PARTIAL SITE PLAN  
SCALE 1/16=1'-0"

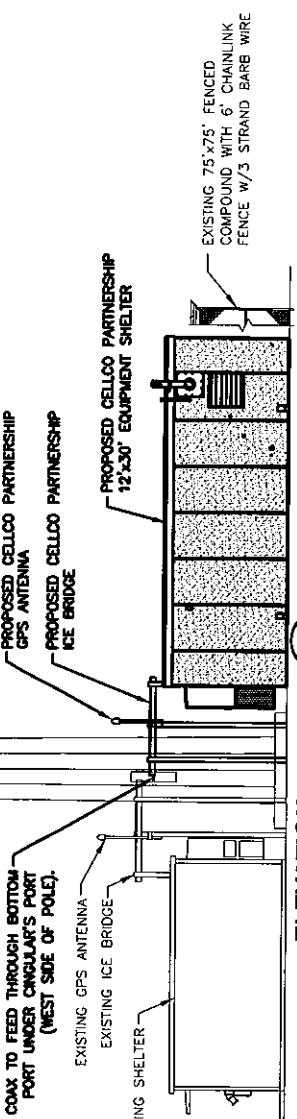


PARTIAL SITE PLAN		
SCALE AS SHOWN	DESIGNED BY: CKD	Cellco Partnership
DATE: 07/31/06	Engineers Planners Surveyors	d.b.a. <b>verizon wireless</b>
PROJECT NO. 4363-10	SITE NAME: 99 KNOWLTON HILL ROAD ASHFORD, CT	LOCATION CODE: 172402 SHEET NO. S - 1
0 10/12/06 CMS	FINAL SITING COUNCIL	
A 07/31/06 CMS	PRELIMINARY SITING COUNCIL	
NO. DATE BY	DESCRIPTION	



PROPOSED CELCO PARTNERSHIP  
PANEL ANTENNA (TP-12)

EXISTING 150' ± A.G.L.  
MONPOLE



ELEVATION  
SCALE: 1/16'-0"

0' 8' 16' 32'

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Celco Partnership			
d.b.a. <b>verizon wireless</b>			S - 2
Project: 2006174157	Site Name: 99 KNOWLTON HILL ROAD	Location Code: 172402	Sheet No.
NO. 0 10/12/06 CMS FINAL SITING COUNCIL	DESIGNED BY: CKD	DATE: 07/31/06	PROJECT NO. 4363-10
A 07/31/06 CMS PRELIMINARY SITING COUNCIL	Engineers Planners Surveyors		
NO. DATE BY DESCRIPTION			

**General Power Density**

**Site Name:** Ashford W 2, CT  
**Cumulative Power Density**

Operator	Operating Frequency	Number of Trans.	ERP per TapS	Total ERP	Distance to Target	Calculated Power Density	Maximum Permissible Exposure	Fraction of MPE
	(MHz)		(watts)	(watts)	(feet)	(mW/cm^2)	(mW/cm^2)	(%)
T-Mobile	1890	6	205	1230	147	0.0205	1.0	2.05%
Cingular	1930	3	427	1281	137	0.0245	1.0	2.45%
Cingular	880	9	296	2664	137	0.0510	0.587	8.70%
VZW PCS	1970	3	485	1455	127	0.0324	1.0	3.24%
VZW	875	9	200	1800	127	0.0401	0.583	6.88%

**Total Percentage of Maximum Permissible Exposure**

\*Guidelines adopted by the FCC on August 1, 1996, 47 CFR Part 1 based on NCRP Report 86, 1986 and generally on ANSI/IEEE C95.1-1992

MHz = Megahertz

mW/cm^2 = milliwatts per square centimeter

ERP = Effective Radiated Power

Absolute worst case maximum values used.



Guyed Towers Self-Supporting Towers Monopoles RF Antenna Systems Turnkey Installations

August 18, 2006

Mr. Sean Gormley  
National Grid Wireless  
80 Central Street  
Boxborough, MA 01719

Re: 150' monopole at Ashford, CT (Sabre #06-06307)

Dear Mr. Gormley,

As shown in our Structural Design Report #06-06307 dated June 29, 2005, the above referenced monopole and foundation were designed for a fastest-mile basic wind speed of 85 mph and 1/2" radial ice, in accordance with ANSI/TIA/EIA 222-F. They were designed to support the following equipment:

1. An additional 30' monopole section, bringing the total height to 180' above grade
2. Twelve (12) 6' x 1' x 3" panel antennas on a 12' L.P. platform at 177', with twelve (12) 1-5/8" lines
3. Twelve (12) 6' x 1' x 3" panel antennas on a 12' L.P. platform at 167', with twelve (12) 1-5/8" lines
4. Twelve (12) 6' x 1' x 3" panel antennas on a 12' L.P. platform at 157', with twelve (12) 1-5/8" lines
5. Twelve (12) 6' x 1' x 3" panel antennas on a 12' L.P. platform at 147', with twelve (12) 1-5/8" lines
6. Twelve (12) 6' x 1' x 3" panel antennas on a 12' L.P. platform at 137', with twelve (12) 1-5/8" lines
7. Twelve (12) 6' x 1' x 3" panel antennas on a 12' L.P. platform at 127', with twelve (12) 1-5/8" lines

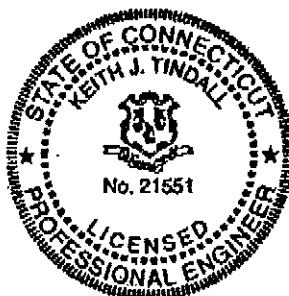
The current request is for the existing 150' monopole and foundation to support **only** the following:

1. Nine (9) RR90-18-xxDP antennas on a 12' L.P. platform at 147.5', with eighteen (18) 1-5/8" lines
2. Six (6) 7262.03 antennas on a 12' L.P. platform at 137', with twelve (12) 1-5/8" lines
3. Six (6) LPA-80080/8CF antennas and six (6) LPA185080/8CF\_2 antennas on a 12' L.P. platform at 127', with twelve (12) 1-5/8" lines

With this revised equipment, the above referenced monopole and foundation are structurally adequate for the original design wind and ice criteria.

Sincerely,

Keith J. Tindall, P.E.  
Vice President & Chief Engineer





Daniel F. Caruso  
Chairman

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October 13, 2006

The Honorable Ralph H. Fletcher  
First Selectman  
Town of Ashford  
Knowlton Memorial Town Hall  
5 Town Hall Road  
Ashford, CT 06278

RE: **EM-VER-003-061012** - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless notice of intent to modify an existing telecommunications facility located at 99 Knowlton Hill Road, Ashford, Connecticut.

Dear Mr. Fletcher:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) received this request to modify an existing telecommunications facility, pursuant to Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Section 16-50j-72.

The Council will consider this item at the next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, October 31, 2006 at 1:30 p.m. in Hearing Room One, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this proposal, please call me or inform the Council by October 27, 2006.

Thank you for your cooperation and consideration.

Very truly yours,

S. Derek Phelps  
Executive Director

SDP/MP/laf

Enclosure: Notice of Intent

c: Richard Dziadus, Zoning Enforcement Officer, Town of Ashford