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Ms. Melanie Howlett
City of Bridgeport Attorney's Office
999 Broad Street, 2nd Floor
Bridgeport, CT 06604

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Dear Ms. Howlett:

Thank you for your telephone call on Monday September 30, 2002 regarding Cingular (SNET Cellular, Inc.) Wireless' planned antenna changes at Cingular's cell site at the SNET/SBC Central Office building located at 430 John Street in Bridgeport. Upon calling your office this morning and being told your schedule is busy and that you are not always in your office, I felt it best to respond in writing rather than waiting to try to talk to you in person.

First, the letter of notification to Mayor Ganim was sent to 45 Lyon Terrace, Bridgeport as this was the address of the City Hall listed in the Connecticut State Register and Manual on the State's web site. Cingular was not aware of any other address for the Mayor or City Attorney's office. I apologize, and as you see I have sent this reply to the address you requested.

Second, and most important, you are correct that the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) does not generally have jurisdiction over buildings, however it does have jurisdiction over this particular building as it was (and still is) a telecommunications site complete with microwave tower for SNET when we sought to use the building as a cell site in 1990. The Council accepted jurisdiction in April 1990 when Cingular's predecessor (the Springwich Cellular Limited Partnership) requested and received approval from the Council to use the SNET Central Office building as a cell site.

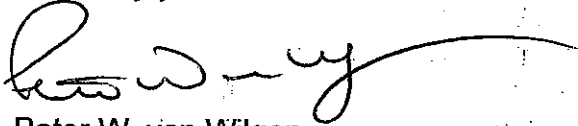
In 1990, as one of the two original true "cellular carriers", as defined by the Connecticut State Legislature when it added "cellular carriers" to be under the jurisdiction of the Council, we had to request approval from the Council for use of any structure as one of our cell sites. The laws and jurisdiction regarding the use of buildings for both cellular and PCS carriers has since changed, however, once the Council has invoked its jurisdiction on a specific structure for Cingular as a cellular carrier, it does not relinquish that jurisdiction back to the City.

Be assured that at this location the only visible exterior change will be to replace the existing antennas with new antennas of virtually the same size, shape and color. Because of these similarities, these changes will be transparent to the residents of Bridgeport.

For your records, I have enclosed copies of the original Springwiche filing with the Connecticut Siting Council dated April 16, 1990 and their associated May 1, 1990 approval, the September 17, 2002 filing and September 26, 2002 approval which generated your telephone call, plus a photo and antenna details of the rooftop area used by Cingular.

Should you have any questions or are still concerned about the Council's jurisdiction, please feel free to call me on 860-513-7730.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter W. van Wilgen', with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Peter W. van Wilgen
Senior Manager - Construction

Copy to: Mr. Derek Phelps, Executive Director
Connecticut Siting Council

Southern New England Telephone
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New Haven, Connecticut 06510
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Peter J. Tyrrell
Senior Attorney

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Gloria Dibble Pond, Chairperson
Connecticut Siting Council
136 Main Street, Suite 401
New Britain, CT 06051

Dear Honorable Chairperson Pond:

Enclosed please find a Notice of Intent to Modify an Exempt Tower and Associated Equipment owned by the Southern New England Telephone Company located in Bridgeport, Connecticut by Springwich Cellular Limited Partnership (the Partnership). Twenty (20) copies are included.

Please record my name as counsel for SNET Cellular, Inc., General Partner of the Partnership in the matter and in correspondence from the Council. Thank you for your kind cooperation.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Peter J. Tyrrell".

Enclosures

cc: Honorable Mary C. Moran, Mayor
Town of Bridgeport;

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO MODIFY AN EXEMPT TOWER
AND ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT

Pursuant to Section 16-50i(a)(5) of the Connecticut General Statutes and pursuant to Section 16-50j-73 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, Springwiche Cellular Limited Partnership (the Partnership), a company which provides cellular radio telecommunications service in the State of Connecticut, hereby notifies the Connecticut Siting Council that it intends to modify an existing telecommunications tower. The site is located at 430 John Street, Bridgeport, Connecticut. The location will be leased in part from its current owner and operator, The Southern New England Telephone Company (Owner), and will be used in part as a cell site to provide cellular mobile telecommunications and message alert services in Fairfield County. The proposed modification would contain both transmit and receive antennas.

DISCUSSION

The building is located on the Owner's Land on John Street in Bridgeport. The proposed addition is needed to supply additional channel capacity and improved transmission for cellular service to the Bridgeport area by the partnership. This cell site has been designed to properly interface with the adjacent cell sites in northern Bridgeport, Milford, Norwalk, Westport and Shelton.

The proposed antenna addition consists of up to twelve (12) cellular and one (1) message service alert antennas. The antennas to be used will be mounted the top of the building not exceeding the height of the existing 40 foot self-supporting roof-top telecommunications tower. From the ground the antennas will appear smaller and be difficult to see. The existing tower has one microwave parabolic antenna and two horn antennas used to provide telecommunications from Bridgeport to Norwalk and Shelton, Connecticut. The maximum power densities of the combined cellular, message alert and microwave facilities is set forth below. It has been calculated in milliwatts per square centimeter.

<u>Location</u>	<u>Existing Power Density</u>	<u>Proposed Power Density</u> ^a
Base of Building	0.000011 mw/sqcm	0.59616 mw/sqcm
Sidewalk	0.000014 mw/sqcm	0.07167 mw/sqcm

This addition does not increase the total power density measured at the tower site boundary to or above 2.933 milliwatts/sqcm.

In 1984 the Connecticut Legislature adopted the safety levels of the American National Standards Institute ("ANSI") in CGS Section 2a-162. The current ANSI power density level standard (for the cellular service band) for non-ionizing radiation is 2.933 milliwatts/sqcm (See ANSI Standard C95.1-1982). In this case, the combined cellular and microwave power density figures are four times less than the applicable standard and will not increase the power density to or above CGS 22-16(2).

The levels shown indicated the total power density in milliwatts per sq. cm. from all cellular and message alert antennas measured simultaneously.

The proposed addition does not constitute a "Modification" of an existing facility and does not change the site's boundary, as defined in Connecticut General Statutes, Section 16-50i(d). This is because there is no change in the structure's height. There will be no increase in noise levels at the tower's boundary by six decibels or more. The total radio electromagnetic radiation power density is below the State standard. This addition will not have a substantially adverse environmental effect pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes, Section 16-50J-72(b)(2). For the reasons discussed above, the Partnership requests the Council to acknowledge that the Notice of modification meets the Council's exemption criteria.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Peter J. Tyrrell".

Peter J. Tyrrell



STATE OF CONNECTICUT

CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

136 Main Street, Suite 401
New Britain, Connecticut 06051
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May 1, 1990

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227 Church Street
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RE: Springwich Cellular Limited Partnership Notice of Intent to Modify An Exempt Tower and Associated Equipment Owned by The Southern New England Telephone Company in the City of Bridgeport, Connecticut.

Dear Attorney Tyrrell:

At a meeting held on April 30, 1990, the Connecticut Siting Council acknowledged Springwich Cellular Limited Partnership notice of intent to modify an exempt tower site and associated equipment owned by Southern New England Telephone Company located in Bridgeport, Connecticut, pursuant to Section 16-50j-73 of the Regulations of State Agencies (RSA).

The proposed modifications are to be implemented as specified in you notices dated April 16 and 20, 1990. As proposed, the modifications are in compliance with the exception criteria specified in RSA 16-50j-72 as changes to an existing facility site that do not increase the tower height, extend the boundaries of the tower site, increase noise levels at the tower site boundary 6 decibels, and add radio frequency sending or receiving capability which increases the total radio frequency 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 Section 22a-162 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

The Council is pleased to note that the shared use of an existing tower serves the Council's long-term goal of protecting the public interest by avoiding proliferation of additional tower structures.

Please notify the Council upon completion of construction.

Very truly yours,

Gloria Dibble Pond
Gloria Dibble Pond
Chairperson

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SNET Cellular, Inc.
555 Long Wharf Drive
Room 751
New Haven, Connecticut 06511
Phone (203) 553-7601



Donald R. Chapman
Vice President-Operations

June 22, 1990

Honorable Gloria Dibble Pond, Chairperson
Connecticut Siting Council
136 Main Street, Suite 401
New Britain, Connecticut 06051

Re: Notice pursuant to Regulations of State Agencies 16-50j-73
intent to modify an exempt telecommunications tower and
associated equipment owned by The Southern New England
Telephone Company in the city of Bridgeport, Connecticut.

Dear Chairperson Pond:

As requested in your letter of acknowledgement dated May 1, we are
pleased to notify the Council of completion of construction at this
facility.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Donald R. Chapman".

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