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September 26, 2002

Peter W. van Wilgen
Southwestern Bell Mobile Systems, LLC
500 Enterprise Drive
Rocky Hill, CT 06067-3900

RE: **EM-CING-015-018-034-057-097-103-144-158-020913** - Southwestern Bell Mobile Systems, LLC notice of intent to modify existing telecommunications facilities located in Bridgeport, Brookfield, Danbury, Greenwich, Newtown, Norwalk, Trumbull, and Westport, Connecticut.

Dear Mr. van Wilgen:

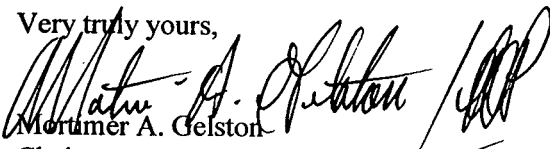
At a public meeting held on September 25, 2002, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) acknowledged your notice to modify these existing telecommunications facilities, pursuant to Section 16-50j-73 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

The proposed modifications are to be implemented as specified here and in your notice dated September 13, 2002. 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 sites that would not increase tower heights, extend the boundaries of the tower site, increase noise levels at the tower site boundaries by six decibels, and increase the total radio frequencies electromagnetic radiation power density measured at the tower site boundaries to or above the standard adopted by the State Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to General Statutes § 22a-162. These facilities have also been carefully modeled to ensure that radio frequency emissions are conservatively below State and federal standards applicable to the frequencies now used on these towers.

This decision is under the exclusive jurisdiction of the Council. Any additional change to these facilities 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,


Mortimer A. Gelston
Chairman

MAG/DM/laf

c: See attached list.

List Attachment.

- c: Honorable Joseph P. Ganim, Mayor, City of Bridgeport
- Michael P. Nidoh, City Planner, City of Bridgeport
- Melanie J. Howlett, Assistant City Attorney, City of Bridgeport
- Honorable Martin J. Foncello, Jr., First Selectman, Town of Brookfield
- Clare Ann Walsh, Land Use Enforcement Officer, Town of Brookfield
- Heather Paton, Land Use Office, Town of Brookfield
- Honorable Mark D. Boughton, Mayor, City of Danbury
- Dennis Elpern, City Planner, City of Danbury
- Honorable Lolly H. Prince, First Selectman, Town of Greenwich
- Diane Fox, Town Planner, Town of Greenwich
- Honorable Herbert C. Rosenthal, First Selectman, Town of Newtown
- Gary Frenette, Zoning Enforcement Officer, Town of Newtown
- Honorable Alex A. Knopp, Mayor, City of Norwalk
- Michael Greene, Director of Planning and Zoning, City of Norwalk
- Honorable Raymond G. Baldwin, Jr., First Selectman, Town of Trumbull
- Harry Eberhart, Zoning Enforcement Officer, Town of Trumbull
- Honorable Diane G. Farrell, First Selectman, Town of Westport
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Town Hall
45 Main Street
Newtown, CT 06470

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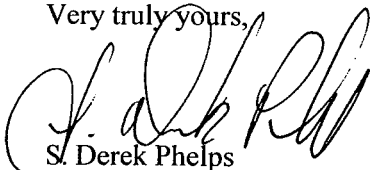
The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) received this request to modify an existing telecommunications facility, pursuant to Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Section 16-50j-72.

The Council will consider this item at the next meeting tentatively scheduled for September 25, 2002, at 1:30 p.m. in Hearing Room One, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.

Please call me or inform the Council if you have any questions or comments regarding this proposal.

Thank you for your cooperation and consideration.

Very truly yours,



S. Derek Phelps
Executive Director

SDP/slm

Enclosure: Notice of Intent

c: Gary Frenette, Zoning Enforcement Officer, Town of Newtown



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September 13, 2002

Mr. Mortimer A. Gelston, Chairman
Connecticut Siting Council
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New Britain, Connecticut 06051

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Re: Southwestern Bell Mobile Systems, LLC Notice of Intent to Modify 9 Existing Telecommunications Facilities Located in Fairfield County

Dear Mr. Gelston:

In order to accommodate technological changes, implement E-911 capability and enhance system performance, Southwestern Bell Mobile Systems, LLC ("SBMS" or "Cingular"; formerly SNET Mobility, LLC) plans to modify instrumentation and/or antenna configurations at most of its existing cell sites in Fairfield County. Please accept this letter and attachments as notification, pursuant to R.C.S.A. Section 16-50j-73, of construction at 9 facilities under Siting Council jurisdiction that will constitute exempt modifications pursuant to R.C.S.A. Section 16-50j-72(b)(2). In compliance with R.C.S.A. Section 16-50j-73, a copy of this letter and attachments are being sent to the chief elected official of each of the 8 municipalities in which an affected cell site is located.

Cingular has a critical "business need" to modify 40 Fairfield County sites under Council jurisdiction without unnecessary delay, which is to allow Cingular to launch its GSM service in the entire state at the same time, including Fairfield County. Modifications to accomplish the Fairfield County GSM overlay are less extensive than the modifications necessary in the rest of the state. Therefore, Cingular respectfully submits a single *simplified* Notice of Intent to modify these 9 Fairfield County sites. Similarly-streamlined notice for the remaining 31 sites will follow.

We feel the simplified Notice is a reasonable approach because there are several fundamental differences between the build-out plans for these 9 Fairfield County sites and the rest of the state which will greatly reduce the scope of the Siting Council analysis. First, as discussed below, the changes will actually lessen (or maintain existing) RF emissions at each of the affected existing sites. Secondly, there will be no antenna change-outs or additional equipment placed on the tower structure.

We will submit more detailed notices for Fairfield County facilities under Council jurisdiction that will undergo more extensive modifications.

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Cingular's GSM Buildout for Fairfield County: No 1900 MHz Operations

Cingular's GSM overlay for Fairfield County differs from its plan for other Connecticut Counties. In Fairfield County Cingular will transmit and receive only in the 850 MHz range for both TDMA and GSM. Across the rest of the state, Cingular will also operate GSM in the 1900 MHz band. This difference in plans arises from the details of an operating agreement between Cingular and VoiceStream Wireless.

Eliminating the 1900 MHz range from the Fairfield County buildout plan allows the use of smaller, lighter-weight antennas, and results in reduced structural loading and radio frequency emissions. (See discussions below.) In the case of the 9 sites submitted herein, the existing antennas are suitable for use in the GSM system, and there will be no change at all in tower loading.

Structural Considerations: Tower Loading Is Unchanged at Each of the Nine Facilities

Prior to this submission, Cingular has notified the Council of other GSM-related construction in many Connecticut cities and towns. Unlike the modifications being undertaken by Cingular in other Connecticut counties, the tower modifications in Fairfield County should be very simple to analyze from the perspective of the Siting Council.

Most notably, Cingular *will not install any of the tower mount amplifiers, duplexers, and diplexers* which added significant weight to towers in other counties. Cingular is able to eliminate the additional hardware because it will operate only in the 850 MHz range in Fairfield County, rather than at both 850 and 1930 MHz. The duplexers and diplexers are sometimes necessary, depending on individual site design, when Cingular's equipment is operating at two frequencies simultaneously, which will not be the case in Fairfield County.

Furthermore, the 40 Fairfield County sites can be divided into two classes, namely, those for which existing antennas are suitable for use in the GSM system and those for which antennas must be replaced.

First, there are 9 sites where only instrumentation in and on the equipment building will be modified, e.g. radio equipment and GPS antenna. No changes to structural loading will occur on the tower itself because the existing antennas will be used for the GSM overlay:

- Bridgeport – 2 Kaechele Place
- Brookfield – Route 7
- Danbury – 39 West Street
- Greenwich – 1081 North Street
- Greenwich – 411 West Putnam Avenue
- Newtown – 6 Fairfield Drive
- Norwalk – 177 West Rocks Road

- Trumbull – Indian Ledge Road
- Westport – 180A Bayberry Lane

These 9 sites are the subject of the present Notice of Intent. No further discussion of structural matters is necessary because there will be no changes to tower loading.

Second, there are 31 sites at which new antennas will be installed to replace existing antennas. In each instance there will be a one-for-one replacement, e.g., 3 old antennas replaced by three new. Cingular will address these 31 sites in a Notice that is still under preparation.

Radio Frequency Emissions Do Not Increase Beyond Previously Approved Levels

Cingular will guarantee that radio frequency emissions will not increase beyond levels previously approved by the Council, namely, up to 1900 ERP per sector for each site.

Cingular obtained the Council's earlier approval for each of the 9 existing sites by submitting hypothetical worst-case power density analyses using 19 channels at 100 Watts ERP per channel in each sector. This is the source of the 1900 Watt ERP standard. In many instances, however, the Fairfield County sites are actually operated well below the maximum power approved.

In the case of the Fairfield County sites, Cingular will simply add 4 GSM channels to the existing number of TDMA channels. If power output per channel were to remain constant, some sites would exceed the 1900 Watt ERP standard with the increased number of channels. Cingular's need to streamline the notification process, however, outweighs its need to increase power emissions above 1900 Watts ERP. Cingular will ensure that no sector emits more than 1900 Watts ERP once modifications are complete by *reducing* wherever necessary the power at which each channel operates. This can be accomplished without compromising Cingular's goal of improving the extent and quality of its cellular service in Fairfield County.

Table 1 lists the 9 Fairfield County sites without antenna change-outs and shows in Column (a) the total power emitted in Watts ERP for the highest-power sector at the facility. Column (b) gives the total power output for the sector after addition of 4 GSM channels at *the same power output per channel as before*. Where Column (b) equals or exceeds 1700 Watts ERP, Cingular will reduce the power per channel to 40 Watts ERP, and the resulting total power output is shown in Column (c). Nowhere, therefore, will the total power output for a sector approach or exceed 1700 Watts ERP during actual operation of the towers, providing a conservative margin relative to the 1900 Watt ERP standard.

In terms of power density, recall that power density is related to total power output by the inverse square of the antenna centerline height on the tower. The replacement antennas will be mounted on the towers at the *same centerline heights as the old antennas*, and power output will not exceed previously approved levels. Power density at ground level, therefore, will remain at or below approved levels as well.

Mr. Mortimer A. Gelston

September 17, 2002

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Summary


The changes to the facilities do not constitute modifications as defined in Connecticut General Statutes ("C.G.S.") Section 16-50i(d) because the general physical characteristics of the facilities will not be significantly changed or altered. Rather, the planned changes to the facilities fall squarely within those activities explicitly provided for in R.C.S.A. Section 16-50j-72(b)(2).

1. The height of the overall structure will be unaffected. At each of the 9 Fairfield County herein there will be no change-out of antennas. In addition, the mandated provision of E-911 capability will be achieved through use of the existing antennas rather than the installation of an additional location measurement ("LMU") antenna. One GPS receive-only antenna will be attached to the equipment shelter at each site. Therefore, none of the modifications will increase the height of the tower or significantly increase its visual effect.
2. The proposed changes will not extend the site boundaries. There will be no effect on the site compound.
3. The proposed changes will not increase the noise level at the existing facility by six decibels or more.
4. Radio frequency power density will not increase beyond the 1900 Watts ERP level previously approved by the Council for each sector of each site. Therefore, no facility will exceed Federal or State RF power emission standards as a consequence of Cingular's activities.

For the foregoing reasons, Cingular Wireless respectfully submits that the proposed changes at the 9 referenced Fairfield County sites constitute exempt modifications under R.C.S.A. Section 16-50j-72(b)(2).

Please feel free to call me at (860) 513-7730 with questions concerning this matter. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Peter W. van Wilgen
Senior Manager - Construction

Enclosures

Table 1: Fairfield County GSM -- Before & After Comparison of RF Power Emissions

<u>CellID</u>	<u>Town</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Structure Type</u>	<u>Existing Channels</u>	<u>Actual ERP per Existing Channel in Watts</u>	<u>(a) Existing Total ERP in Watts</u>	<u>Additional ERP for 4 GSM Channels at 850 MHz</u>	<u>(b) New Total ERP in Watts</u>	<u>(c) New Total ERP with 40 W/ Ch.</u>
2106	Bridgeport	2 Kaechele Pl.	m	17	100	1700	400	2100	840
2185	Brookfield	Rte. 7	pm	8	40	320	160	480	
2124	Danbury	39 West St.	bm/ssl	16	100	1600	400	2000	800
2101	Greenwich	1081 North St.	m	8	100	800	400	1200	
2131	Greenwich	411 West Putnam Ave.	bm	8	100	800	400	1200	
2125	Newtown	6 Fairfield Dr.	m	11	100	1100	400	1500	
2151	Norwalk	177 West Rocks Rd.	wt	9	100	900	400	1300	
2093	Trumbull	Indian Ledge Rd.	m	9	40	360	160	520	
2107	Westport	180A Bayberry Ln.	m	10	100	1000	400	1400	



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Honorable Joseph P. Ganim, Mayor
City of Bridgeport
City Hall, Rm. 204
45 Lyon Terrace
Bridgeport, CT 06604

Re: Telecommunications facility – 2 Kaechele Place

Dear Mayor Ganim

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Hon. Diane G. Farrell
First Selectman, Town of Westport
Town Hall, 110 Myrtle Ave.
Westport, CT 06880

Re: Telecommunications facility – 180A Bayberry Lane

Dear Ms. Farrell:

In order to meet the requirements for improved E-911 capability and to implement a more advanced telecommunications system, Southwestern Bell Mobile Systems, LLC, a/k/a Cingular Wireless (“SBMS” or “Cingular”; formerly SNET Mobility, LLC) will modify certain cell sites. As required by Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies (“R.C.S.A.”) Section 16-50j-73, the Connecticut Siting Council has been notified of the changes and will review Cingular’s proposal. Please accept this letter as notification under Section 16-50j-73 of construction which constitutes an exempt modification pursuant to R.C.S.A. Section 16-50j-72(b)(2).

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Hon. Raymond G. Baldwin, Jr.
First Selectman, Town of Trumbull
Town Hall, 5866 Main St.
Trumbull, CT 06611

Re: Telecommunications facility – Indian Ledge Road

Dear Mr. Baldwin:

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Hon. Herbert C. Rosenthal
First Selectman, Town of Newtown
Edmond Town Hall, 45 Main St.
Newtown, CT 06470

Re: Telecommunications facility – 6 Fairfield Drive

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Hon. Richard V. Bergstress
First Selectman, Town of Greenwich
Town Hall, 101 Field Point Rd.
Greenwich, CT 06836

Re: Telecommunications facilities – 1081 North St. and 411 West Putnam Ave.

Dear Mr. Bergstress:

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Hon. Mark D. Boughton
Mayor, City of Danbury
City Hall, 155 Deer Hill Ave.
Danbury, CT 06810

Re: Telecommunications facility – 39 West Street

Dear Mayor Boughton:

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Hon. Martin J. Foncello, Jr.
1st Selectman, Town of Brookfield
Brookfield Municipal Center, 100 Pocono Rd.
Brookfield, CT 06804

Re: Telecommunications facility – Route 7

Dear Mr. Foncello:

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Hon. Alex A. Knopp
Mayor, City of Norwalk
City Hall, 125 East Ave.
Norwalk, CT 06856

Re: Telecommunications facility – 177 West Rocks Road

Dear Mayor Knopp:

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