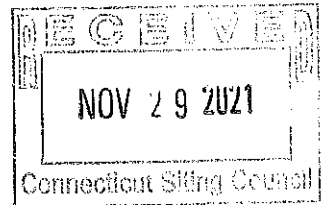


**TOWN OF OLD SAYBROOK**  
Office of the Board of Selectmen



302 Main Street • Old Saybrook, Connecticut 06475  
Telephone (860) 395-3123 • FAX (860) 395-3125

November 24, 2021

State of Connecticut  
Connecticut Siting Council  
Ten Franklin Square  
New Britain, CT 06051

Attn: Melanie Bachman, Executive Director

**Re: EM-VER-106-211118 – Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless notice of intent to modify an existing telecommunications facility located at 77 Springbrook Road, Old Saybrook, Connecticut and TS-DISH-106-211119 – Dish Wireless LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 77 Springbrook Road, Old Saybrook, Connecticut.**

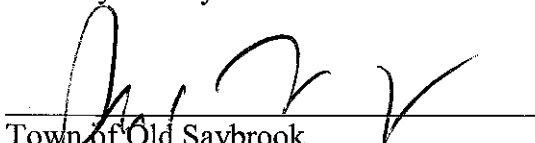
Dear Executive Director Bachman,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on these two applications.

This tower is unfortunately in a residential area. In fact, the tower at issue sits in the rear of a property that has a house on it. The owner, Crossroads Communications of Old Saybrook, owns another adjacent piece of property at 71 Springbrook Road with a house on it. Both homes (71 and 77 Springbrook Road) are blighted, open to the elements and serve as a destination for transients and rodent infestation. Furthermore, the landscaping on the property at issue (77 Springbrook) has become so bad that the neighboring property at 93 Springbrook Road has a fence that is being undercut by the overgrowth from 77 Springbrook.

The corporate owner simply takes the funds from the tower lease and pockets the funds, leaving the neighborhood a mess and surrounding property values in distress. As a result, I am objecting to the modification of both these applications until something is done to these properties. At this point, razing of both structures is probably required. This is truly a disgraceful situation. Verizon and Dish should both be aware of the inequity of which they are a part.

Thank you for your consideration.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Town of Old Saybrook  
Carl P. Fortuna, Jr., First Selectman