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Mr. Mortimer A. Gelston, Chairman
Connecticut Siting Council
136 Main Street, Suite 401
New Britain, CT 06051

Dear Chairman Gelston:

Enclosed please find a Notice of Intent to Modify an Exempt Tower and Associated Equipment for facilities owned and operated by the Springwich Cellular Limited Partnership (SCLP) located off Miner Lane in Waterford, Connecticut.

SNET Paging, Inc. proposes to add one dish style antenna on the roof of the existing cellular building to be used in eliminating interference to its paging services in the greater Waterford area.

The attached pages detail the required information. As is shown in the attachment, the proposed addition meets all the necessary criteria established in the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Section 16-50j-72(b)(2), and is thus an exempt facility pursuant to Section 16-50j-73.

Please record me as counsel for SCLP in this matter and in all correspondence from the Council.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

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

copy to: Honorable Thomas A. Sheridan, First Selectman, Town
of Waterford, Town Hall, 15 Rope Ferry Road,
Waterford, CT 06385

WATERFORD

Pursuant to Section 16-50i(a)(5) of the Connecticut General Statutes and Section 16-50j-72(b)(2), as amended, of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, the Springwiche Cellular Limited Partnership (SCLP) hereby notifies the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) that it intends to modify an existing telecommunications facility by adding a two foot receive only dish style antenna on the roof of its existing cellular equipment building for SNET Paging, Inc.. This antenna is required to eliminate interference from another paging system located in Exeter, Rhode Island. The site is located off Miner Lane in Waterford, Connecticut.

DISCUSSION

On April 5, 1989, SNET Cellular, Inc. requested approval from the Council to add an antenna at its cell site location in Waterford in order to provide Message Alert Service to its cellular customers. Approval was received at the Council's meeting of April 24, 1989.

Message Alert Service operates by having each designated paging location receive a "statewide" radio broadcast signal on one frequency, and then rebroadcasting it "locally" to customers on a different frequency.

Message Alert Service was later expanded to include paging services to the general public who were not cellular customers, with an affiliate, SNET Paging, Inc., providing this service.

Another paging provider located in Exeter, Rhode Island, broadcasting on the same frequency used for the "receiving" signal in Waterford, is causing undesirable interference to SNET Paging customers in the Waterford area. Fortunately, as a customer gets further away from the Connecticut/Rhode Island border, this interference problem does not occur.

In order to solve this problem, SNET Paging proposes to install a two foot dish style antenna on the roof of the cellular building to receive the incoming signal directly from a remote paging transmitting station, thus eliminating unwanted interference. The transmitting signal and procedure used to page customers in the Waterford area would remain the same.

The proposed antenna will not increase the height of the existing tower, as it will be mounted on the roof of the building.

Also, as the additional antenna will be only for receiving signals, the transmitting power density at this location will not change.

CONCLUSION

The proposed addition does not constitute a "modification" of an existing facility as defined in Connecticut General Statutes Section 16-50i(d). This is because there is no change in the tower's height. There is no extension of the boundaries of the site. There will be no increase in noise levels at the site's boundary by six decibels or more, and the total radio frequency electromagnetic radiation will not change. This addition will not have a substantially adverse environmental effect.

For the reasons discussed above, SCLP requests that the Council acknowledge that this Notice of Modification meets the Council's exemption criteria.

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The Honorable Thomas A. Sheridan
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Dear Mr. Sheridan:

SNET Paging, Inc. plans to install a two foot dish style receive antenna on the roof of the existing cellular building owned by the Springwich Cellular Limited Partnership located at the Town Landfill off Miner Lane in Waterford, Connecticut. This antenna is required to eliminate interference from another paging system located in Exeter, Rhode Island.

As required by Section 16-50j-73 of the Regulations of State Agencies (RSA), please accept this letter and the attached package to the Connecticut Siting Council as Notice of Intent of our exempt modification to an existing tower site pursuant to RSA Section 16-50j-72(b).

The attached package fully sets forth the Springwich proposal. However, if you have any questions or require further information on these plans or the Siting Council's procedures, please feel free to contact me, or Mr. Joel M. Rinebold, Executive Director, Connecticut Siting Council, at 827-7682.

Very truly yours,

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

Attachments