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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

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RE: **PETITION NO. 1440** - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed installation of a wireless telecommunications facility and associated equipment on an extension of the support structure above the top of an existing billboard located on a commercial property at 115 Peat Meadow Road, New Haven, Connecticut.

Dear Attorney Baldwin:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) requests your responses to the enclosed questions no later than March 26, 2021. To help expedite the Council's review, please file individual responses as soon as they are available. At this time, consistent with the Council's policy to prevent the spread of Coronavirus, please submit an electronic copy only to siting.council@ct.gov. However, please be advised that the Council may later request one or more hard copies for record retention purposes.

Any request for an extension of time to submit responses to interrogatories shall be submitted to the Council in writing pursuant to §16-50j-22a of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

Sincerely,

s/Melanie Bachman

Melanie Bachman
Executive Director

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Petition No. 1440
Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless
115 Peat Meadow Road
New Haven, Connecticut

Interrogatories – Set I

1. The 15-foot wide access easement shown on sheets C-2 and A-1 of the Construction Drawings appears to approach from the north of the proposed facility off the existing access road (via the parking lot to the north of the facility). However, the Site schematic attachment 1 shows access approaching from the south of the proposed facility off the existing driveway for Brandfon Hyundai. Please clarify and provide the appropriate revised document.
2. Page 3 of the Petition states minimal ground disturbance is necessary for installation of associated equipment. Please describe the ground disturbance. Would Cellco make any improvements to the ground surface of the proposed access road leading up to the gate of the fenced compound?
3. What is the distance and direction from the proposed site to the nearest residence?
4. The Visual Assessment states that views from the residential area to the west will be obscured by intervening vegetation. Would this screening occur during leaf-on conditions or year-round? Please characterize any visibility from that area.
5. Would the proposed facility have backup power, e.g. battery backup? If yes, for how long could it support the facility during a power outage?
6. Please identify the window like square shapes which can be seen along the southern and eastern perimeter of the property boundaries, as shown on sheets C-1 and C-2 of the Construction Drawings.
7. Would the proposed antennas be capable of providing 5G services in the future?
8. What is the distance and direction to the nearest wetland area from the proposed facility? Would any wetland protection measures be necessary? Would Cellco employ erosion and sedimentation controls during construction consistent with the *2002 Connecticut Guidelines for Erosion and Sediment Control*?
9. Is the proposed site located within a flood zone? If so, could any associated ground equipment be raised to a height above the flood zone?
10. Provide the proposed construction hours and days of the week for the proposed project.
11. What is the duration of construction to install the proposed facility?
12. Attachment 7 of the Petition indicates that the overall height above mean seal level of the proposed structure is 88 feet and notice is required to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), page 4 of the Petition states that “notice to the FAA is not required”. Please clarify.