

STATE OF CONNECTICUT CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

May 23, 2023

Victoria Masse Northeast Site Solutions 420 Main Street, Unit 1, Box 2 Sturbridge, MA 01566-1359 victoria@northeastsitesolutions.com

RE: **PETITION NO. 1570** – Dish Wireless, LLC petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for proposed modifications to an existing telecommunications facility located at Chesley Park, 35 Wildwood Street, New Britain, Connecticut.

Dear Victoria Masse:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) requests your responses to the enclosed questions no later than June 13, 2023.

Please submit an original and 15 copies to the Council's office and an electronic copy to siting.council@ct.gov. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan and in accordance with Section 16-50j-12 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, the Council requests all filings be submitted on recyclable paper, primarily regular weight white office paper. Please avoid using heavy stock paper, colored paper, and metal or plastic binders and separators. Fewer copies of bulk material may be provided as appropriate.

Please be advised that the original and 15 copies are required to be submitted to the Council's office on or before the June 13, 2023 deadline.

Copies of your responses are required to be provided to all parties and intervenors listed in the service list, which can be found on the Council's website under the "Pending Matters" link.

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,

Melanie Bachman Executive Director

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c: Service List dated May 1, 2023

Mahir Beal

Petition No. 1570 Dish Wireless LLC Chesley Park, 35 Wildwood Street, New Britain, Connecticut

Interrogatories May 23, 2023

Notice

- 1. Referencing p. 3 of the Petition, a copy of the Petition was provided to Brandon Robertson, Town Manager of the City of New Britain. Brandon Robertson is the Town Manager for the Town of Avon. Please confirm a copy of the Petition was sent to the chief elected official of the City of New Britain and on what date.
- 2. Referencing Section V, p. 3 and Attachment 7 of the Petition, has the City of New Britain and/or any abutting property owners provided comments to Dish since the Petition filing? If so, please summarize the comments.

Project Development

- 3. Is the project, or any portion of the project, proposed to be undertaken by state departments, institutions or agencies, or to be funded in whole or in part by the state through any contract or grant?
- 4. Would the proposed antenna installation at the existing facility be needed for coverage or capacity? What areas in the vicinity of the existing facility would benefit from the proposed installation?

Existing Facility

- 5. Is the compound expansion area within the existing facility's lease area? Submit a depiction of the existing facility lease area.
- 6. Would construction have any impacts on park operations? How would park resources and activities be maintained during construction? Explain.
- 7. The site plan for Council Petition 703 depicted landscape screening around the equipment compound. Would any landscape trees be removed and/or trimmed at the existing facility site to accommodate construction of the proposed compound expansion area?

Proposed Modifications

- 8. Referring to Petition p. 1, define "normal business hours" for construction.
- 9. How will the proposed equipment platform and radio cabinets be installed? What construction equipment will be used and how will it access the construction area?
- 10. Will excavation and/or filling be required to accommodate the compound expansion area and swing gate?
- 11. Provide photographs of the compound expansion area.

12. What is the distance of the equipment expansion area to John Downey Road?

Environmental

13. Referencing p. 2 of the Petition, and Sheet A-1, would any of the trees along the east side of the existing compound parallel to John Downey Drive need to be removed and/or trimmed?

Public Safety

- 14. Identify the applicable safety standards and/or codes for the proposed equipment, machinery or technology that would be used or operated at the facility.
- 15. Would any lighting be installed on Dish's equipment? If so, what would it be used for? Would it be on all the time, have a motion sensor or work on a preset timer?
- 16. Referring to Sheet A-3, "Platform Equipment Plan," a proposed generator plug is depicted. Would DISH obtain emergency backup power from a temporary mobile generator? If power is lost to DISH's equipment, can DISH still provide wireless services from the site through a network sharing agreement with another wireless carrier located at the site?
- 17. Would construction have any impact on the nearby fire hydrant? Provide the distance of the proposed compound expansion to the nearby fire hydrant. Would this distance be compliant with the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) code for fire hydrants?