

STATE OF CONNECTICUT CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

June 7, 2024

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RE: **PETITION NO. 1625** – New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (AT&T) and Town of Wethersfield joint petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for proposed modifications to an existing telecommunications facility and associated equipment located at 23 Kelleher Court, Wethersfield, Connecticut. **Council Interrogatories to Petitioner.**

Dear Catherine Conklin:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) requests your responses to the enclosed questions no later than June 21, 2024. 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 21, 2024, 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 A. Bachman Executive Director

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Enclosure: Revised Schedule, dated June 7, 2024

c: Service List, dated April 4, 2024

Petition No. 1625 New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC and Town of Wethersfield 23 Kelleher Court Wethersfield, Connecticut

Interrogatories June 7, 2024

- 1. Referring to the Petition, Section II Background, it states, New Cingular Wireless' (AT&T) application for a Waiver to Site Plan Requirements to construct the tower and equipment was approved on July 30, 2002, and referring to Petition Attachment E Original Easement/Lease Agreement, it states AT&T leases approximately 200 square feet of ground area and space on the 190' monopole structure from the Town of Wethersfield. Clarify.
- 2. What is the square footage of the existing equipment compound?
- 3. Referring to the Petition, Section III Proposed Modifications, it states, "the proposed expansion is for the Town of Wethersfield's tenants to have access to a backup emergency generator and associated equipment that will not fit into the existing compound."
 - a. Who will own and maintain the backup emergency generator?
 - b. Would the generator be shared among multiple tenants?
- 4. Referring to the Petition, Section IV The Proposed Modification Should Be Approved, it states "...the proposed Generator is a fuel cell..." However, the rest of the Petition refers to the proposed generator as a diesel-fueled generator. Please clarify.
- 5. Would any vegetative clearing be required for the proposed compound expansion? Provide the number of trees with diameters of 6 inches or greater at breast height that would be removed, if any.
- 6. Referring to Petition Attachment B, Sheet A-1, there is a note indicating verification of proposed fence dimensions prior to construction and the Petition notes an "irregular measurement of approximately 170 square feet." Have the fence dimensions been field-verified?
- 7. Referring to Petition Attachment D Original CSC Approval, there is attached an approved request for exempt modification for an AT&T generator installation at this site dated September 2023. How does AT&T currently provide emergency backup power to the facility?
- 8. Referring to Petition Attachment E Original Easement/Lease Agreement, AT&T installed equipment at the facility in 2002. When was the existing facility originally approved and by what entity?
- 9. How long would the proposed emergency backup generator run before refueling is required in the event of a power outage?

- 10. What is the capacity of the fuel tank?
- 11. What is the cost of the proposed project?
- 12. Is the project, or any portion thereof, proposed to be undertaken by state departments, institutions or agencies, or funded in whole or in part, by the state through any contract or grant?
- 13. During what work hours and days of the week would construction occur?
- 14. Describe visibility of the proposed expanded compound from the surrounding area.
- 15. When would construction commence, and when would construction be completed?
- 16. Is the project site within a Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) Natural Diversity Database buffered area?
- 17. Is the project site in a DEEP Aquifer Protection Area?



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REVISED SCHEDULE

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Petition received	04/04/2024
Public Comment Period Deadline	05/04/2024
Council 60-day Action – Set Date for Decision to 09/01/2024	05/23/2024
Deadline for Action	06/03/2024
Council Interrogatories	
Set One Issued	06/07/2024
Set One Responses Due	06/21/2024
Deadline for Decision	09/01/2024