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May 22, 2025

TO: Council Members

FROM: Melanie Bachman, Executive Director *NPB*

RE: **DOCKET NO. 538** – The Towers, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility and associated equipment located at 1022 Trumbull Highway, Lebanon, Connecticut. **Completeness Review.**

I. Introduction

The application is from The Towers for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility and associated equipment in the Town of Lebanon, Connecticut.

II. Technical

The application conforms to the Council's *Application Guide for Community Antenna Television and Telecommunication Facilities*, includes relevant maps, descriptions of the proposed site, costs, a description of the environmental effects of the proposed construction, and health and safety information. The application meets statutory technical requirements for processing the application. This project would not require an outside consultant.

III. Administrative Review

All service and filing requirements pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes (CGS) § 16-50/ (b) have been fulfilled. Notice to the general public was published in the Norwich Bulletin.

IV. Procedural

Pursuant to CGS §16-50m, the Council must schedule a public hearing not less than 30 days and no more than 150 days after receipt of an application. At least one public hearing session shall be held after 6:30 PM for the convenience of the general public. The Council must also designate a place for the deposition of the transcript. Staff recommends holding a public hearing via Zoom remote conferencing on September 11, 2025 and depositing the transcript in the Lebanon Town Hall.

Siting Analyst: Robert Mercier

Enclosure: Revised Schedule

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REVISED SCHEDULE

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Application received	05/02/2025
Completeness review	05/29/2025
Council Interrogatories	
• Set-One Issued	TBD
• Set-One Responses due	TBD
Pre-hearing conference via Zoom remote conferencing – 11:00 a.m.	07/30/2025
Deadline for Exchange of Interrogatories between Parties and Intervenors	08/28/2025
Deadline for pre-filed testimony and responses to interrogatories	09/04/2025
Deadline for State Agency Comments	09/04/2025
Deadline for Municipal Comments	09/04/2025
Deadline to request Party/Intervenor status	09/04/2025
Public Hearing 2:00 p.m. evidentiary session and 6:30 p.m. public comment session via Zoom remote conferencing (refer to Hearing Information section on Docket 538 project webpage for Zoom remote conferencing log in/call in)	09/11/2025
Continued Evidentiary Session(s) (if necessary)	TBD
Close of Evidentiary Record	TBD
Close of Public Comment Period	TBD
Draft Findings of Fact	TBD
Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion & Decision & Order	TBD
Deadline for Final Decision	09/29/2025

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