

Meeting Minutes
Meeting of August 25, 2011

A meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, August 25, 2011, in Hearing Room One, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut. The meeting was called to order with a quorum present by Robert Stein at 1:13 p.m.

Council Members Present:

Robert Stein
Chairman
Colin Tait
Vice Chairman
Daniel P. Lynch, Jr.
Philip T. Ashton

Brian Golembiewski
(designee for Commissioner Esty)
Barbara Currier Bell
James J. Murphy, Jr.
Edward S. Wilensky

Council Members Absent:

Larry Levesque
(designee for Chairman DelGobbo)

Staff Members Present:

Linda Roberts
Executive Director
Robert L. Marconi
Assistant Attorney General
Christina Walsh
Siting Analyst Supervisor

David Martin
Siting Analyst
Michael Perrone
Siting Analyst

Staff Members Absent:

Melanie Bachman
Staff Attorney

Robert Mercier
Siting Analyst

Recording Secretary:

Carriann Mulcahy

Minutes of August 11, 2011.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the minutes of August 11, 2011, seconded by Mr. Golembiewski. The motion passed with Mr. Murphy and Mr. Wilensky abstaining.

DOCKET NO. F-2010/11 - Connecticut Siting Council Review of the Ten-Year Forecast of Connecticut Electric Loads and Resources. Final Report.

Mr. Ashton moved to remove this item from the table, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

The Council reviewed the draft Forecast and directed staff to make changes to be reviewed at a future meeting.

DOCKET NO. 316A - SBA Infrastructure LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility at 50 Fairchild Road in Middletown, Connecticut. Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order.

Chairman Stein stated for the record that he reviewed the record and visited the site.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order, seconded by Mr. Golembiewski. The motion passed unanimously.

DOCKET NO. 391 - T-Mobile Northeast, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located 232 Shore Road, Old Lyme, Connecticut. Development and Management Plan.

Mr. Ashton moved to remove this item from the table, seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Wilensky moved to approve the Development and Management Plan, seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed with Chairman Stein abstaining.

DOCKET NO. 401 - T-Mobile Northeast, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 208 Valley Road, New Canaan, Connecticut. Request for Hearing Postponement.

Mr. Lynch moved to grant the T-Mobile's request for a 60-day hearing postponement, seconded by Mr. Wilensky. The motion passed unanimously.

DOCKET NO. 409 - New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 8 Barnes Road, Canaan (Falls Village), Connecticut. Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order.

Dr. Bell moved to remove this item from the table, seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Lynch left the meeting at 2:03 p.m.

Mr. Tait moved to approve the amendments to the draft Opinion document, seconded by Mr. Wilensky. The motion passed with Mr. Ashton voting no.

Mr. Tait moved to deny the application, seconded by Dr. Bell. Mr. Ashton moved to amend the motion to deny the application without prejudice, the motion failed. Chairman Stein requested a written vote on record with Mr. Golembiewski, Mr. Wilensky, Dr. Bell, Mr. Tait and Chairman Stein in favor of denying the application; Mr. Murphy abstaining; and Mr. Ashton in favor of approving the application. The motion to deny the application passed.

DOCKET NO. 410 - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 234 Melba Street, Milford, Connecticut. Development and Management Plan.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve this Development and Management Plan, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed with Chairman Stein and Dr. Bell abstaining.

PETITION NO. 1001 - MetroPCS Massachusetts, LLC petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the extension of an existing equipment compound located at 219 New Park Avenue a/k/a 219 New Park Road, Hartford, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve this petition, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

TS-METROPCS-017-110815MA - MetroPCS Massachusetts, LLC d/b/a MetroPCS request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 985 Farmington Avenue, Bristol, Connecticut.

Mr. Murphy moved to approve this tower sharing request, seconded by Mr. Ashton. The motion passed unanimously.

Administrative Matters.

Chairman Stein announced that the next energy/telecommunications meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 8, 2011.

Other calendar dates are as follows:

- Tuesday, August 30, 2011, beginning at **1:00 p.m.**, public hearing reopening for Docket No. 416 (Cellco/Bloomfield), in Hearing Room One, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain
- Tuesday, September 13, 2011, beginning at **1:00 p.m.**, public hearing continuation for Docket No. 412 (SBA/Cingular/Bridgewater), in Hearing Room One, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain
- Tuesday, September 20, 2011, beginning at **1:30 p.m.** (field review)/**3:00 p.m./7:00 p.m.**, field review and public hearing for Docket No. 420 (SBA/Cingular), at the North Stonington Volunteer Fire Company Main Meeting Room, 267 Norwich-Westerly Road, North Stonington, Connecticut
- Thursday, September 22, 2011, beginning at **1:00 p.m.**, energy/telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room One, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain
- Tuesday, September 27, 2011, beginning at **1:00 p.m.**, public hearing reopening for Docket No. 415 (Cellco/Woodstock), in Hearing Room One, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain

Assistant Attorney General Marconi provided the Council an update on litigation.

Adjournment.

Chairman Stein adjourned the meeting at 2:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Stein
Chairman

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