Meeting Minutes

Meeting of April 12, 2012

A meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, April 12, 2012, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut. The meeting was called to order with a quorum present by Robin Stein at 1:12 p.m.

Council Members Present:

Robert Stein Brian Golembiewski

Chairman (designee for Commissioner Esty)

Colin Tait Barbara Currier Bell Vice Chairman Larry Levesque

Daniel P. Lynch, Jr. (designee for Chairman DelGobbo)

Edward S. Wilensky James J. Murphy, Jr.

Philip T. Ashton

Staff Members Present:

Linda Roberts
Executive Director
Melanie Bachman
Staff Attorney
Fred Cunliffe
Siting Analyst Supervisor

Robert Mercier
Siting Analyst
David Martin
Siting Analyst
Michael Perrone
Siting Analyst
Siting Analyst

Christina Walsh

Siting Analyst Supervisor

Recording Secretary:

Carriann Mulcahy

Minutes of March 29, 2012.

Mr. Murphy moved to approve the minutes of March 29, 2012, seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

DOCKET NO. 192 - Towantic Energy, LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a 512 megawatt electric generating facility located approximately 4,000 feet north of the Prokop Road and Towantic Hill Road intersection in the Town of Oxford, Connecticut. Transfer of Certificate.

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

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Mr. Ashton moved to approve the Transfer of Certificate to CPV Towantic Holding Company, LLC, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed with Dr. Bell, Mr. Lynch, and Mr. Wilensky voting no.

DOCKET 370A-MR – The Connecticut Light & Power Company application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Manchester Substation to Meekville Junction Circuit Separation Project in Manchester, Connecticut. Development and Management Plan Revision.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the revisions to the Development and Management Plan to include an Implosion Plan, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed with Mr. Lynch abstaining.

DOCKET NO. 404 - New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 28 Great Oak Lane, Redding, Connecticut. Request for Extension.

Mr. Tait moved to approve an extension of time until July 20, 2013, to complete construction, seconded by Mr. Levesque. The motion passed unanimously.

DOCKET NO. 421 - 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 158 Edison Road, Trumbull, Connecticut. Draft Findings of Fact.

After reviewing the Draft Findings of Fact, Chairman Stein conducted a non-binding straw poll of the Council members with Mr. Ashton, Mr. Levesque, Dr. Bell, Mr. Tait, Mr. Lynch, Mr. Murphy, and Chairman Stein in favor of issuing a certificate for a facility at a height of 130-feet, with a foundation and tower structure sufficient to support an extension; Mr. Wilensky in favor of a facility at a height of 130-feet, and Mr. Golembieski undecided.

Chairman Stein directed staff to draft a favorable Opinion and Decision and Order to be reviewed at the next meeting.

DOCKET NO. 422 - North Atlantic Towers, LLC and New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and management of a telecommunications facility located at 655 Basset Road, Watertown, Connecticut. Alex Requests to Submit Late Filed Exhibits.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the two requests to submit late filed exhibits, seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

DOCKET NO. 423 - North Atlantic Towers, LLC, and 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 off Route 198, Woodstock, Connecticut. Draft Findings of Fact.

Mr. Murphy moved to table this item, seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed unanimously.

DOCKET NO. 424 - The Connecticut Light & Power Company application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Connecticut portion of the Interstate Reliability Project that traverses the municipalities of Lebanon, Columbia, Coventry, Mansfield, Chaplin, Hampton, Brooklyn, Pomfret, Killingly, Putnam, Thompson, and Windham, which consists of (a) new overhead 345-kV electric transmission lines and associated facilities extending between CL&P's Card Street Substation in the Town of Lebanon, Lake Road Switching Station in the Town of Killingly, and the Connecticut/Rhode Island border in the Town of Thompson; and (b) related additions at CL&P's existing Card Street Substation, Lake Road Switching Station, and Killingly Substation. Request for Party/Intervenor Status. Request for Continuance.

Mr. Ashton moved to grant party status to Richard Civie, seconded by Mr. Tait. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Ashton moved to grant party status to Edward Hill Bullard, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Tait moved to grant a 30-day continuance of the evidentiary hearings, seconded by Mr. Ashton. The motion passed unanimously.

TS-METROPCS-084-120326MA - MetroPCS Massachusetts, LLC d/b/a MetroPCS request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 234 Melba Street, Milford, Connecticut.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve this tower sharing request, seconded by Mr. Tait. The motion passed with Dr. Bell abstaining.

TS-ENERTRAC-028-120326 - Enertrac, Inc. request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 355 Route 85, Colchester, Connecticut.

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

Administrative Matters.

> Notice of Intent to Adopt Proposed Wind Regulations

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

Mr. Murphy moved to publish notice of intent to adopt the proposed wind regulations in the Connecticut Law Journal, seconded by Mr. Wilensky. The motion passed unanimously.

> Council Reimbursement Policy

Mr. Golembiewski moved to adopt the proposed Reimbursement Policy, seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed unanimously.

> Two Storm Panel Subcommittee Minutes

Mr. Golembiewski moved to approve the minutes of the April 3, 2012, subcommittee meeting, seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed unanimously among the members of the subcommittee.

> Upcoming Calendar Events:

- Wednesday, April 18, 2012, beginning at 2:00 p.m. (bus tour) and 7:00 p.m. public hearing, Docket No. 424 (CL&P Interstate Reliability Project) at the Lebanon Fire Safety Complex, 23 Goshen Hill Road, Lebanon Wednesday, April 18, 2012
- o Thursday, April 19, 2012, beginning at 2:00 p.m. (bus tour) and 7:00 p.m. public hearing, Docket No. 424 (CL&P Interstate Reliability Project) at the Quinebaug Valley Senior Citizens Center, 69 South Main Street, Brooklyn
- Tuesday, April 24, 2012, beginning at **2:00 p.m**. (bus tour) and **7:00 p.m**. public hearing, Docket No. 424 (CL&P Interstate Reliability Project) at the Mansfield Middle School Auditorium, 205 Spring Hill Road, Storrs
- Thursday, April 26, 2012, beginning at 1:00 p.m., energy/telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain

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Adjournment.

Mr. Ashton moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Golbembieski. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Stein adjourned the meeting at 2:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Stein Chairman

RS/cm