#### **Meeting Minutes**

#### Meeting of September 20, 2012

A meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, September 20, 2012, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut. The meeting was called to order with a quorum present by Chairman Robert Stein at 1:05 p.m.

#### **Council Members Present:**

Robert Stein Chairman Colin Tait Vice Chairman Brian Golembiewski (designee for Commissioner Esty)

#### **Staff Members Present:**

Linda Roberts Executive Director Melanie Bachman Staff Attorney Fred Cunliffe Siting Analyst Supervisor Christina Walsh Siting Analyst Supervisor (designee for Chairman House) Barbara Currier Bell James J. Murphy Daniel P. Lynch, Jr. Philip T. Ashton Edward S. Wilensky

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

Michael Caron

#### **Recording Secretary:**

Carriann Mulcahy

#### Wind Regulations. Submission to Attorney General pursuant to C.G.S. §4-169.

This item was temporarily passed.

#### Minutes of September 6, 2012.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the minutes of September 6, 2012, seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed with Mr. Wilensky abstaining.

### LIFE-CYCLE 2011 – Connecticut Siting Council Investigation into the Electric Transmission Line Life-Cycle Costs. Draft Report

Mr. Ashton moved to submit the draft Life-Cycle to the utilities for a 10-day comment period, seconded by Mr. Tait. The motion passed unanimously.

DOCKET NO. 370 - The Connecticut Light and Power Company Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Connecticut portion of the Greater Springfield Reliability Project that traverses the municipalities of Bloomfield, East Granby and Suffield, Connecticut. Development and Management Plan Revision.

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

#### \*Council member Mr. Caron arrived at 1:09 p.m.

#### DOCKET NO. 354 - 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 off of Old Baird Road in Watertown, Connecticut. Request for Extension.

Mr. Wilensky moved to approve an extension of the Certificate to November 8, 2013, seconded by Mr. Ashton. Council members discussed that Verizon was granted a Certificate on May 8, 2008, with an initial construction deadline of November 8, 2009. The Council has granted three one year extensions to complete the process. The Council will request Verizon provide justification that a tower is needed to provide coverage. The matter was tabled pending receipt of information relative to the justification.

#### Wind Regulations. Submission to Attorney General pursuant to C.G.S. §4-169.

Mr. Murphy moved to submit the Wind Regulations to the Attorney General pursuant to C.G.S. §4-169, seconded by Mr. Ashton.

Chairman Stein requested a written vote on the record with Chairman Stein, Mr. Tait, Mr. Murphy, Dr. Bell, Mr. Lynch, Mr. Golembiewski, Mr. Wilensky, Mr. Caron, and Mr. Ashton in favor submitting the Wind Regulations to the Attorney General pursuant to C.G.S. §4-169.

#### \*Chairman Stein departed from the meeting at 1:17 p.m.

\*Vice Chairman Tait presided over the remainder of the meeting.

#### DOCKET NO. 382 – 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 off of Lane Street, Huntington (Shelton), Connecticut. Request for Extension.

Mr. Ashton moved to grant an extension of time to finish construction of the facility to June 7, 2013, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

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#### DOCKET NO. 423 - North Atlantic Towers, LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located off of Route 198, Woodstock, Connecticut. Development and Management Plan.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the Development and Management Plan, seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed unanimously.

DOCKET NO. 430 – Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 77 Milford Street, Burlington, Connecticut. Completeness Review, Schedule, Custodian of the Docket, Deposition of the Transcript, Request for Party/Intervenor Status.

Mr. Murphy moved to approve the application as complete, approve the schedule for processing the docket as per staff recommendations, the appointment of Carriann Mulcahy as custodian of the docket, the deposition of the transcript in the Town of Burlington, a public field review and hearing in Burlington on November 13, 2012; seconded by Mr. Ashton. The motion passed unanimously.

PETITION NO. 1036 - New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for an eleven foot (11') extension of an existing telecommunications facility located a 39 Maennerchor Avenue, Norwich, Connecticut.

Mr. Murphy moved to table this petition, seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

## TS-ENERTRAC-158-120824A – Enertrac, Inc. request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 180A Bayberry Lane, Westport, Connecticut.

Dr. Bell moved to approve this tower sharing requested with the condition that Enertrac consult with Verizon on the actual placement of its proposed antennas, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

## TS-ENERTRAC-158-120824B – Enertrac, Inc. request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 20 Post Office Lane, Westport, Connecticut.

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

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#### Connecticut Siting Council Fiscal Year 2014/2015 Budgets.

Mr. Murphy moved to send the Council's Budget for the 2015/2015 Fiscal Year to the energy

and telecommunications industry, seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed unanimously.

# PETITION NO. 1036 - New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for an eleven foot (11') extension of an existing telecommunications facility located a 39 Maennerchor Avenue, Norwich, Connecticut.

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

Mr. Murphy moved to set October 30, 2012, as the date by which the Council shall make its decision on this petition, seconded by Mr. Ashton. The motion passed unanimously.

#### Administrative Matters.

- Regular Items
  - > Upcoming Calendar Events:
    - Tuesday, October 2, 2012, beginning at 1:00 p.m. Docket No. 427 (NAT/CING) evidentiary hearing, in Hearing Room One, New Britain
    - Thursday, October 4, 2012, beginning at 1:00 p.m. energy/telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain
    - Thursday, October 11, 2012, beginning at 2:00 p.m. Docket No. 429 (CING) Field review and public hearing in Willington
    - Thursday, October 18, 2012, beginning at 1:00 p.m. energy/telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain
    - Tuesday, October 30, 2012, beginning at 11:00 a.m. Docket No. 428 (CING) evidentiary hearing, in Hearing Room One, New Britain.

#### Adjournment.

Mr. Lynch moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Ashton. Vice Chairman Tait adjourned the meeting at 1:35 p.m.

#### Respectfully submitted,

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Chairman	

Colin Tait Vice Chairman

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