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RE: Post-Construction Report – DOCKET 405 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 422 Rockville

Road, Voluntown, Connecticut.

On January 20, 2011, the Council approved an application from Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless (Cellco) for the construction of a 160-foot monopole located on an 11-acre residential parcel at 422 Rockville Road (aka Route 138) in Voluntown. The Council approved the Development and Management Plan for the site on December 13, 2012.

On June 21, 2012, the Council granted an 18-month extension of time to complete the project to January 14, 2014. Construction of the site commenced on August 21, 2013 and notice of site completion and activation was received on January 6, 2014.

A post-construction field review of the site was conducted on July 8, 2014.

The site is located in the north central portion of the parcel, at the southwest edge of a field. Access to the tower site utilizes an upgraded dirt road for 700 feet along the field edge and a new 100-foot long gravel drive. The new portion of the access drive ascends a slight pitch and features two cross drainage swales and associated level spreaders to control runoff.

Cellco constructed a 50-foot by 50-foot equipment compound within a 100-foot by 100-foot lease area at the site. The compound is surfaced with gravel and is enclosed by an eight-foot high chain link fence with privacy slats. Cellco installed a 12-foot by 30-foot equipment shelter within the compound. A telephone cabinet and electrical transformer are located outside the fenced compound, adjacent to the compound entrance gate. Underground utilities were installed from an existing utility pole adjacent to the compound area. Cellco installed 12 antennas on a square-shaped platform at 160 feet above ground level. No other carriers are located at the site.

The site is not visible from adjacent properties or roads during leaf-on conditions. Leaf-off views are predicted from Route 138 and the Pachaug Trail, a hiking trail within the abutting Pachaug State Forest to the south.

No site construction-related issues were evident at the time of the inspection. The observed physical conditions of this site appear to conform to the Development and Management Plan approved by the Council.



Docket 404 Site Location – 160-foot monopole at 422 Rockville Road, Voluntown.



View of tower from edge of field on host property.



Compound view – NE corner.



Compound view – NW corner.



Access road drainage ditch. Note new plantings along curve to screen site from lessor's residence.



Typical visibility from Rockville Road - very difficult to see platform.