

DOCKET NO. 121 - An application of
SNET Cellular, Inc., for a Certificate
of Environmental Compatibility and Public
Need for the construction, operation, and
maintenance of a cellular telephone tower
and associated equipment in the Town of
Stonington, Connecticut.

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February 15, 1990

DECISION AND ORDER

Pursuant to the foregoing Opinion, the Connecticut Siting Council finds that the effects associated with the construction, operation, and maintenance of a cellular monopole tower and associated equipment building at the alternative Stonington site, including effects on the natural environment; ecological balance; public health and safety; scenic, historic, and recreational values; forests and parks; air and water purity; and fish and wildlife, are not significant either alone or cumulatively with other effects, are not in conflict with the policies of the State concerning such effects, and are not sufficient reason to deny the alternative Stonington site in this application, and therefore directs that a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need, as provided by Section 16-50k of the Connecticut General Statutes (CGS), be issued to SNET Cellular, Inc. (SNET), for the construction, operation, and maintenance of a cellular telephone tower site at the alternative site on Taugwank Spur in Stonington, Connecticut.

The proposed Stonington tower site on Pequot Trail in Stonington, Connecticut, is hereby denied.

The facility shall be constructed, operated, and maintained substantially as specified in the Council's record on this matter, and subject to the following conditions:

1. The tower shall be a monopole no taller than necessary to provide the proposed service, and in no event shall the structure exceed a total height of 170 feet, including antennas.
2. The facility shall be constructed in accordance with applicable Sections of the State of Connecticut Basic Building Code.
3. Unless necessary to comply with conditions of the Federal Aviation Administration, no lights shall be installed on this tower.
4. The Certificate Holder shall prepare a Development and Management Plan (D&M Plan) for this site in compliance with Sections 16-50j-75 through 16-50j-77 of the Regulations of State Agencies. The D&M Plan shall include detailed plans

for erosion and sediment control at the tower site, plans for evergreen screening around the eight-foot fence surrounding the tower, and plans for the relocation of an existing storm drain. The Certificate Holder shall consult with the Town of Stonington in the preparation of the D&M Plan.

5. The Certificate Holder or its successor shall permit public or private entities to share space on the tower for fair consideration, or shall provide any requesting entity with specific legal, technical, environmental, or economic reasons precluding such tower sharing.
6. The Certificate Holder or its successor shall notify the Council if and when directional antennas or any equipment other than that listed in this application are added to this facility.
7. If this facility does not initially provide, or permanently ceases to provide, cellular service following the completion of construction, this Decision and Order shall be void, and the tower and all associated equipment in this application shall be dismantled and removed or reapplication for any new use shall be made to the Council and a Certificate granted before any such new use is made.
8. The Certificate Holder shall comply with any future radio frequency (RF) standard promulgated by State or federal regulatory agencies. Upon the establishment of any new governmental RF standards, the facility granted in this Decision and Order shall be brought into compliance with such standards.
9. The Certificate Holder or its successor shall provide the Council a recalculated report of power density if and when additional channels over the proposed 45 channels, higher wattage over the proposed 100 watts per channel, or if other circumstances in operation cause a change in power density above the levels originally calculated in the application.
10. Unless otherwise approved by the Council, this Decision and Order shall be void if all construction authorized herein is not completed within three years of the issuance of this Decision and Order, or within three years of the completion of any appeal taken to this Decision and Order.

Pursuant to Section 16-50p, we hereby direct that a copy of the Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order be served on each person listed below. A notice of issuance shall be published in the Hartford Courant and New London Day. By this Decision and Order, the Council disposes of the legal rights, duties, and privileges of each party named or admitted to the proceeding in accordance with Section 16-50j-17 of the Regulations of State Agencies.

The parties or intervenors to this proceeding are:

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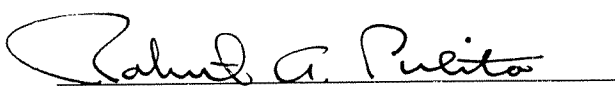

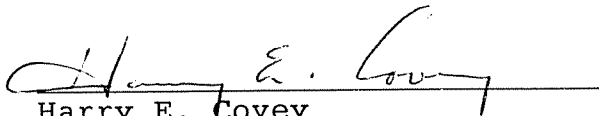
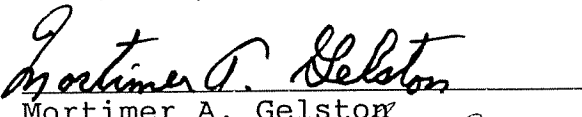
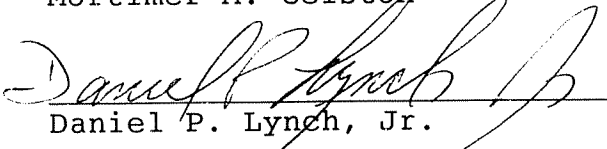

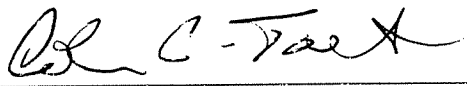
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CERTIFICATION

The undersigned members of the Connecticut Siting Council hereby certify that they have heard this case in Docket No. 121 or read the record thereof, and that we voted as follows:

Dated at New Britain, Connecticut the 15 day of February, 1990.

<u>Council Members</u>	<u>Vote Cast</u>
 Gloria Dibble Pond Chairperson	Yes
 Commissioner Peter Boucher Designee: Robert A. Pulito	Yes
 Commissioner Leslie Carothers Designee: Brian Emerick	Yes
 Harry E. Covey	Yes
 Mortimer A. Gelston	Yes
 Daniel P. Lynch, Jr.	Yes
 Paulann H. Sheets	Yes
<hr/> William H. Smith	Absent
 Colin C. Tait	Yes