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DOCKET NO. 160 - An application of the Department of Public Safety, Division of State Police for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, operation, and maintenance of a telecommunications facility located approximately 6,180 feet northwest from the intersection of Stone Ranch Road and Boston Post Road (U.S. 1) on Pump House Hill Road in East Lyme, Connecticut.

: Connecticut

: Siting

: Council

: September 29, 1993

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DECISION AND ORDER

Pursuant to the foregoing Findings of Fact and Opinion, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) finds that the effects associated with the construction, operation, and maintenance of a telecommunications facility at the proposed site on the Stone Ranch Military Reservation (Stone Ranch) in East Lyme, Connecticut, including effects on the natural environment; ecological integrity and balance; public health and safety; scenic, historic, and recreational values; forests and parks; air and water purity; and fish and wildlife are not disproportionate either alone or cumulatively with other effects when compared to need, are not in conflict with the policies of the State concerning such effects, and are not sufficient reason to deny the application, and therefore directs that a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need, as provided by section 16-50k of the General Statutes of Connecticut (CGS), be issued to the Connecticut Department of Public Safety, Division of State Police, for the construction, operation, and maintenance of a telecommunications facility at the proposed Stone Ranch site off of Pump House Hill Road in East Lyme, Connecticut.

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

1. The proposed self-supporting lattice tower shall be designed no taller than necessary to provide the proposed communications and in no event shall it exceed a total height of 154 feet above ground level with antennas and appurtenances.
2. The Certificate holder shall prepare a Development and Management (D&M) plan for the site in accordance with sections 16-50j-75 through 16-50j-77 of the Regulations of State Agencies. The D&M plan shall be submitted to and approved by the Council prior to the commencement of facility construction and shall include detailed plans for the tower, tower foundation, and tower lighting; locations of all antennas to be attached to this tower; access from a public road including all improvements to the

accessway; utility line installation; equipment building; erosion and sediment controls; and security fence.

3. The Certificate holder shall comply with all existing and future radio frequency (RF) standards promulgated by State or federal regulatory agencies. Upon the establishment of any new governmental RF standards, the Certificate holder shall provide such notice to the Council and the facility granted herein shall be brought into compliance with such standards as soon as practicable.
4. The Certificate holder shall provide the Council a recalculated report of radio frequency power density if and when circumstances in operation cause an increase in the power density above the levels used herein by the Council to render its decision.
5. The Certificate holder shall permit public or private entities to share space on the proposed tower for fair consideration, or shall provide any requesting party with specific legal, technical, environmental, or economic reasons precluding such tower sharing.
6. If the facility does not initially provide, or permanently ceases to provide CSP telecommunications service following completion of construction, this Decision and Order shall be void, and the tower and all associated equipment shall be dismantled and removed or re-application for any new use shall be made to the Council before any such new use is made.

Unless otherwise approved by the Council, this Decision and Order shall be void if all construction authorized herein is not completed within five (5) years of the effective date of this Decision and Order or within five years after all appeals to this Decision and Order have been resolved.

Pursuant to CGS 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, and notice of issuance shall be published in The Day and the Niantic News.

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 RSA section 16-50j-17.

The party to this proceeding is:

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