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### CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

June 1, 2015

Kenneth C. Baldwin, Esq.  
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280 Trumbull Street  
Hartford, CT 06103-3597

RE: **PETITION NO. 1155** - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed installation of a small cell telecommunications facility on the roof of an existing commercial building located at 19 Main Street, Old Saybrook, Connecticut.

Dear Attorney Baldwin:

At a public meeting held on May 28, 2015, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) considered and ruled that the above-referenced proposal would not have a substantial adverse environmental effect, and pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50k, would not require a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need with the following conditions:

- Within 45 days after completion of construction, the Council shall be notified in writing that construction has been completed;
- Any nonfunctioning antenna and associated antenna mounting equipment on this facility owned and operated by the Petitioner shall be removed within 60 days of the date the antenna ceased to function;
- If the facility ceases to provide wireless services for a period of one year the Petitioner shall dismantle the facility and remove all associated equipment or reapply for any continued or new use to the Council within 90 days from the one year period of cessation of service. The Petitioner may submit a written request to the Council for an extension of the 90 day period not later than 60 days prior to the expiration of the 90 day period; and
- This Declaratory Ruling may be transferred or partially transferred, provided both the facility owner/operator/transferor and the transferee are current with payments to the Council for their respective annual assessments and invoices under Conn. Gen. Stat. §16-50v. The Council shall be notified of such sale and/or transfer and of any change in contact information for the individual or representative responsible for management and operations of the facility within 30 days of the sale and/or transfer. Both the facility owner/operator/transferor and the transferee shall provide the Council with a written agreement as to the entity responsible for any quarterly assessment charges under Conn. Gen. Stat. §16-50v(b)(2) that may be associated with this facility.

This decision is under the exclusive jurisdiction of the Council and is not applicable to any other modification or construction. All work is to be implemented as specified in the petition dated April 28, 2015.

Enclosed for your information is a copy of the staff report on this project.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Robert Stein" with the initials "MAB" written to the right of the name.

Robert Stein  
Chairman

RS/RM/lm

Enclosure: Staff Report dated May 28, 2015

- c: The Honorable Carl P. Fortuna, Jr., First Selectman, Town of Old Saybrook
- Christine Nelson, Town Planner, Town of Old Saybrook
- Prospect Realty Partners LLC c/o Alex Wagner



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### Petition No. 1155

#### Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless

19 Main Street, Old Saybrook

Staff Report

May 28, 2015

On April 28, 2015, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) received a petition from Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless (Cellco) for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed installation of a small cell telecommunications facility on a commercial building at 19 Main Street (Route 154) in Old Saybrook. Cellco seeks to improve 700 MHz and 2100 MHz services in the surrounding area.

The target service area consists of a heavily developed, mostly commercial area centered around the intersection of Route 1 and Route 154 in Old Saybrook. Due to the high volume of data traffic, two adjacent Cellco sites that provide wireless service to this area are beyond their capacity limits. The proposed site would alleviate capacity issues at these two sites as well as provide some coverage to existing 2100 MHz service gaps in the area.

Cellco would install six antennas with six remote radio heads on three tower masts mounted to the roof of the building. The masts and antennas would be concealed by a RF transparent enclosure designed to appear as a rooftop penthouse. It would extend 12 feet above a roof parapet and would have a stucco finish to match the existing building exterior.

Radio equipment would be installed within a room on the first floor of the building. Power and telephone service would be connected to existing service inside the building.

The power density would be 41 percent of the applicable limit as established by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), based on a far-field calculations in accordance with methodology prescribed by the FCC Office of Engineering and Technology Bulletin No. 65E, Edition 97-01 (August 1997).

The visual impact of the project is expected to be negligible as the faux penthouse appears similar to the building structure. The building is located in a commercial zone. The small cell would not be an aviation hazard.

Notice was provided to the Town of Old Saybrook, the property owner, and abutting property owners. No comments have been received to date.



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