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CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

November 13, 2015

Kenneth C. Baldwin, Esq.
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RE: **PETITION NO. 1193** - 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 at Lime Rock Park, 497 Lime Rock Road, Lakeville, Connecticut.

Dear Attorney Baldwin:

At a public meeting held on November 12, 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:

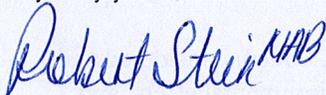
- Unless otherwise approved by the Council, if the facility authorized herein is not fully constructed within three years from the date of the mailing of the Council's decision, this decision shall be void, and the facility owner/operator shall dismantle the facility and remove all associated equipment or reapply for any continued or new use to the Council before any such use is made. The time between the filing and resolution of any appeals of the Council's decision shall not be counted in calculating this deadline. Authority to monitor and modify this schedule, as necessary, is delegated to the Executive Director. The facility owner/operator shall provide written notice to the Executive Director of any schedule changes as soon as is practicable;
- Any request for extension of the time period to fully construct the facility shall be filed with the Council not later than 60 days prior to the expiration date of this decision and shall be served on all parties and intervenors, if applicable, and the Town of Salisbury;
- 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;
- The facility owner/operator shall remit timely payments associated with annual assessments and invoices submitted by the Council for expenses attributable to the facility under Conn. Gen. Stat. §16-50v;

- This Declaratory Ruling may be transferred, provided the facility owner/operator/transferor is current with payments to the Council for annual assessments and invoices under Conn. Gen. Stat. §16-50v and the transferee provides written confirmation that the transferee agrees to comply with the terms, limitations and conditions contained in the Declaratory Ruling, including timely payments to the Council for annual assessments and invoices under Conn. Gen. Stat. §16-50v; and
- If the facility owner/operator is a wholly owned subsidiary of a corporation or other entity and is sold/transferred to another corporation or other entity, 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.

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 September 23, 2015.

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

Very truly yours,



Robert Stein
Chairman

RS/MP/lm

Enclosure: Staff Report dated November 12, 2015

- c: The Honorable Curtis G. Rand, First Selectman, Town of Salisbury
Nancy Brusie, Zoning Enforcement Officer, Town of Salisbury
Lime Rock Park LLC



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Petition No. 1193

Cellco

497 Lime Rock Road, Lakeville

Small Cell Facility

Staff Report

November 12, 2015

On September 24, 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 at 497 Lime Rock Road, Lakeville, Connecticut. Currently, Cellco is experiencing a capacity issue in and around Lime Rock Park. In particular, events held at Lime Rock Park can attract large crowds and increase the need for capacity. Accordingly, Cellco proposes to install a 2100 MHz small cell facility at Lime Rock Park to address this capacity issue. As an additional benefit, the small cell would improve coverage as well.

Specifically, Cellco would install a 30-foot tall steel monopole tower in a small wooded area in roughly the center of the portion of the Lime Rock Park property already developed for auto racing. Cellco would attach six panel antennas and three remote radio heads to the proposed tower via T-arm mounts. The top of the antennas would reach a height of 32-feet 4-inches above ground level. A radio equipment cabinet would be installed on an eight-foot by eight-foot concrete pad within a proposed 12-foot by 18-foot equipment compound surrounded by a six-foot tall wood stockade fence. A new 12-foot wide by approximately 65-foot long gravel access drive would be required to connect to an existing gravel access drive. No trees six inches diameter or greater would be removed to develop the site. Electric service would be run underground to an existing transformer and utility board to the south. Telephone service would run underground to existing connections to the north of the site.

The subject property is located within the Town of Salisbury's Rural Enterprise Zone. The visual impact is not expected to be significant due to the limited height of the tower, existing trees at the site to remain, and Cellco's proposed planting of approximately 18 eight-foot tall trees around the proposed compound.

Cellco's calculated power density (using a far field analysis) would be 29.3 percent of the applicable limit. No notice is required to the Federal Aviation Administration.

Notice was provided to the Town of Salisbury, the property owner, and abutting property owners on or about September 23, 2015. No comments have been received to date.

Cellco contends that this proposed project would not have a substantial adverse environmental impact.



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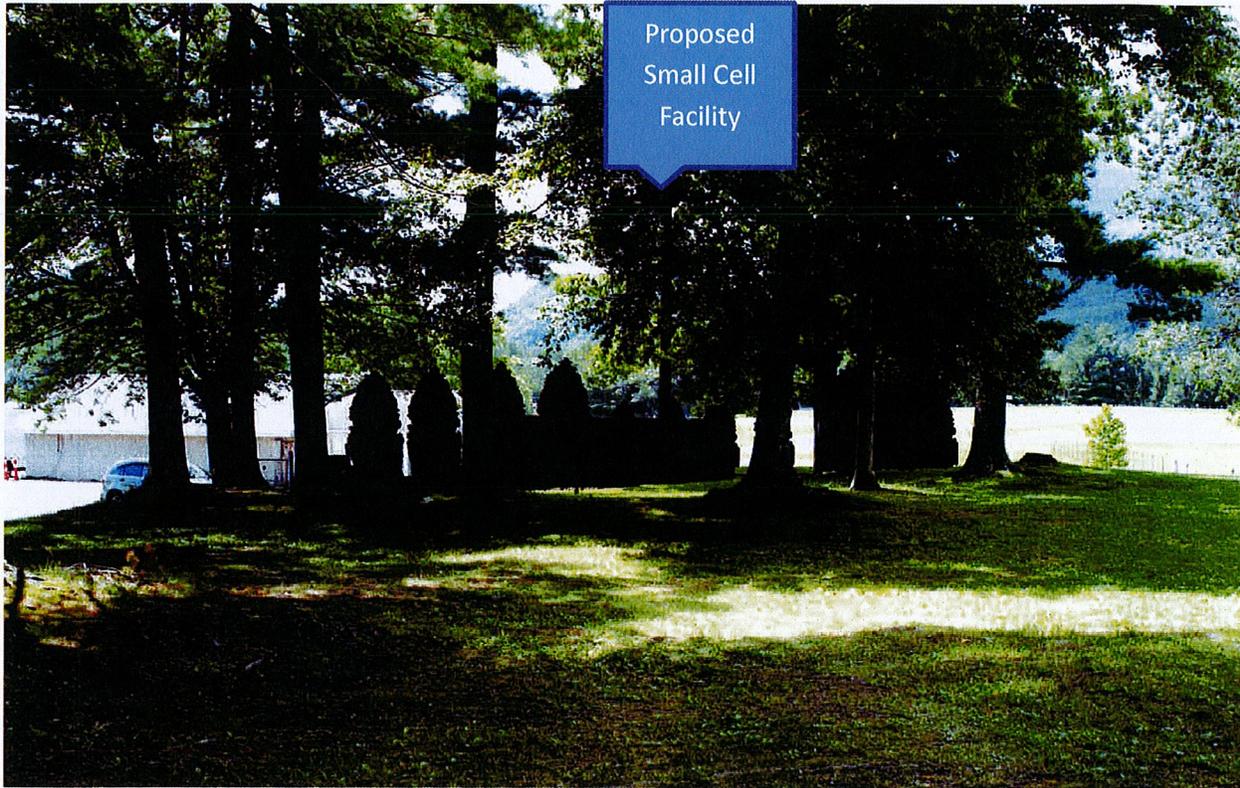
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Site Location



Photo-simulation as viewed from the southwest (on the subject property)



The proposed small cell facility is hidden in the existing trees. Cellco's proposed plantings approximately 8 feet tall are also shown in the photo-simulation.

