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January 20, 2017

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RE: **PETITION NO. 1281** - 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 35-kilowatt propane-fueled back-up generator and a 1,000 gallon propane tank at an existing wireless telecommunication facility located at 21 Acorn Road, Branford, Connecticut.

Dear Mr. Smith:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of the Town of Branford Planning & Zoning Department's correspondence dated January 19, 2017 concerning the above-referenced petition. Thank you for taking the time to provide the Council with your comments. Please be advised that noise created by the emergency backup generator and noise created by the emergency backup generator undergoing test is exempt from the State of Connecticut Regulations for the Control of Noise.

Before reaching a final decision on a petition, the Council carefully considers all of the facts contained in the record that is developed by the Council, the petitioner, parties and intervenors to the petition, and members of the public who attend the field review and submit written statements to the Council. A decision was rendered on this petition on January 19, 2017.

A copy of the Council's decision in this matter is enclosed for your review.

Thank you for your interest and concern in this very important matter.

Very truly yours,

Melanie A. Bachman
Executive Director

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c: Parties and Intervenors
Council Members

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From: Harry Smith <hsmith@branford-ct.gov>
Sent: Thursday, January 19, 2017 12:13 PM
To: CSC-DL Siting Council; Bachman, Melanie
Subject: Petition # 1281

Ms. Bachman ~ I offer the following comments with respect to Petition #1281:

- There is a residential zoning district and existing residential uses on the west side of Acorn Road, including #36 Acorn Road
- There did not seem to be any information provided regarding level of noise generation of the generator. It is requested that this information be provided and that the anticipated noise generation be limited in any decision to not exceed that allowed by the Town's noise ordinance, which it is my understanding reflects the state model language.
- It is unclear from the materials available on-line when the generator will be scheduled for testing. It is requested that testing during nights 6 pm to 7 am and weekends be prohibited.

Please do not hesitate to contact me regarding these comments.

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