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November 27, 2017

The Honorable Noel Bishop
First Selectman
Town of Westbrook
866 Boston Post Road
Westbrook, CT 06498

RE: **PETITION NO. 1330** - MCM Communications, LLC petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed installation of a temporary tower facility and associated equipment to be located on Connecticut Water Company property at 1542 Boston Post Road, Westbrook, Connecticut.

Dear First Selectman Bishop:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of the Town of Westbrook's correspondence dated November 21, 2017 concerning the above-referenced petition. Thank you for taking the time to provide the Council with your comments.

This petition will be placed on a future Council meeting agenda for discussion and decision. Please note that you can view all of the documents related to this petition on our website at www.ct.gov/csc under the "Pending Matters" link. You may also keep apprised of Council events on the website calendar and agenda. If the Council decides to hold a public hearing, public notice of the hearing location, date and time will be provided.

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 submit written statements to the Council.

Your comments shall become part of the official record in this matter in the form of a limited appearance defined under subsection (f) of Connecticut General Statutes §16-50n. Copies of your correspondence will be distributed to the petitioner and parties and intervenors to the petition.

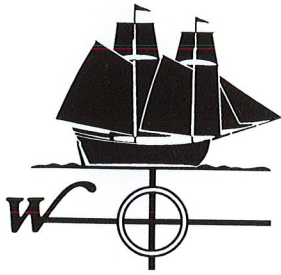
Thank you for your interest and concern in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Melanie A. Bachman
Executive Director

MAB/CMW/bm

c: Parties and Intervenors
Council Members

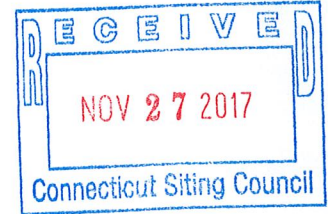


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November 21, 2017

Hon. Robert Stein, Chairman
 and Members of the Connecticut Siting Council
 10 Franklin Square
 New Britain, CT 06051



Re: MCM Communications, LLC, Petition for Declaratory Ruling, 1542 Boston Post Road,
 Westbrook, CT

Dear Chairman Stein and Members of the Connecticut Siting Council,

The Board of Selectmen has reviewed the above-referenced Petition and has heard from both the Connecticut Water Company, owner of the current site, and from Dattilo Family Holdings LLC, a proposed alternate site referenced in the application in Section II, at page 2.

The Board was advised by the Connecticut Water Company that water tower is no longer used and needs to be taken down as it presents an ongoing significant maintenance and repair expense. The cell phone provider advised the Board that it was willing to take on the water tower and its maintenance and repair in order to obviate the need for a temporary and subsequent future tower. The Water Company advised that it had not had any such discussion with the cell phone company, and the Board encouraged its representatives to do so.

The Board was also advised that the alternative location would not be appropriate for the temporary tower due to the location of current infrastructure. However, it left open the possibility that the permanent tower that will replace the Temporary Facility could be placed on the Dattilo property.

The Board of Selectmen has voted to authorize me to send this letter to you to advise that its preferences are as follows:

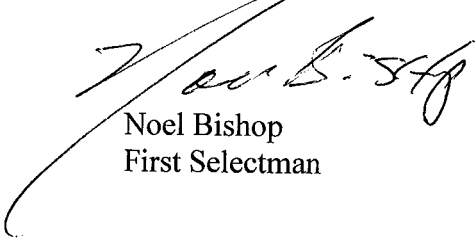
1. Maintain the existing water tower.
2. If the existing water tower must be removed, then the temporary tower should not be permitted to be taller than the existing water tower.
3. Once a permanent site is needed, locate the new tower on the alternate location (the Dattilo Family Holdings LLC property) rather than on the Connecticut Water Company site.

The Town has spent significant funds upgrading its town center area. The area where the current

water tower is located, and where the proposed Temporary Facility is to be located, are in the eastern gateway to downtown Westbrook. The Board believes that moving the permanent tower to the alternate site would make it less visible along Boston Post Road and would be preferable from an aesthetic standpoint.

If the Council requires any additional information or comment on this matter, please advise.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Noel Bishop". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the left and then curves back under the name.

Noel Bishop
First Selectman