

**September 10, 2015** 

Melanie A. Bachman Acting Executive Director Connecticut Siting Council 10 Franklin Square New Britain, CT 06051 APT Project No.: CT1411580

Re: Petition No. 1121
Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless
Request for Minor Modification to Site Plan
353 Pumpkin Hill Road, Ashford, CT

Dear Ms. Bachman,

On behalf of Cellco Partnership, d/b/a. Verizon Wireless, All-Points Technology Corporation, P.C. ("APT") respectfully requests a minor modification to the site plan approved by the Siting Council's decision on January 8, 2015 for Petition No. 1121.

Pre-construction discussions with Cellco Partnership's contractor for the referenced project revealed a need for a minor modification to the limit of work along the west side of the existing fenced compound. Providing a larger temporary construction staging/laydown area west of the existing compound would allow for improved construction vehicle access and staging in order to properly and safely construct the new tower and remove the guy anchors of the existing tower. For example, the current layout of the erosion controls along the west side of the existing fenced compound would make it either very difficult to properly stage a crane or the crane would need to be staged in an area outside of the currently proposed erosion control barrier. In order to accommodate construction activities while providing proper protection to nearby wetlands, a revised limit of erosion control measures is proposed. Please see attached a revised Partial Site Plan, Sheet No. C-1.0, prepared by Centek Engineering, revised date September 9, 2015, depicting the temporary construction staging/laydown area and proposed limit of erosion controls. The extent of this temporary construction staging/laydown area is intentionally limited to the existing cleared area to void removal of mature tree and shrub vegetation that currently buffers the wetland area.

Although the temporary construction staging/laydown area places the work area closer to wetlands, there would be no likely adverse impact to nearby wetlands provided the following Wetland Protection Plan is implemented:

- 1. APT will meet the contractor on site to review the locations of wetland resources with emphasis on protecting these sensitive resources throughout the course of the construction project;
- 2. APT will verify in the field with the contractor the proposed new limit of erosion controls to ensure no mature shrubs or trees are removed;
- 3. APT will inspect the erosion controls following installation to ensure proper installation for protection of nearby wetland resources; and,
- 4. The temporary construction staging/laydown area shall be restored by the contractor following construction by filling any ruts and seeding with a New England conservation seed mix.

Provided the Siting Council authorizes this minor modification, Cellco Partnership will inform its contractor of the ability to use this temporary construction staging/laydown area and implement the Wetland Protection Plan as stated above.

We respectfully request that this matter be placed on the next available Siting Council agenda for approval. Thank you for your consideration of this request and if you have any questions or require further information, please contact me by telephone at (860) 663-1697 ext. 201 or via email at dgustafson@allpointstech.com.

Sincerely,

Dean Gustafson

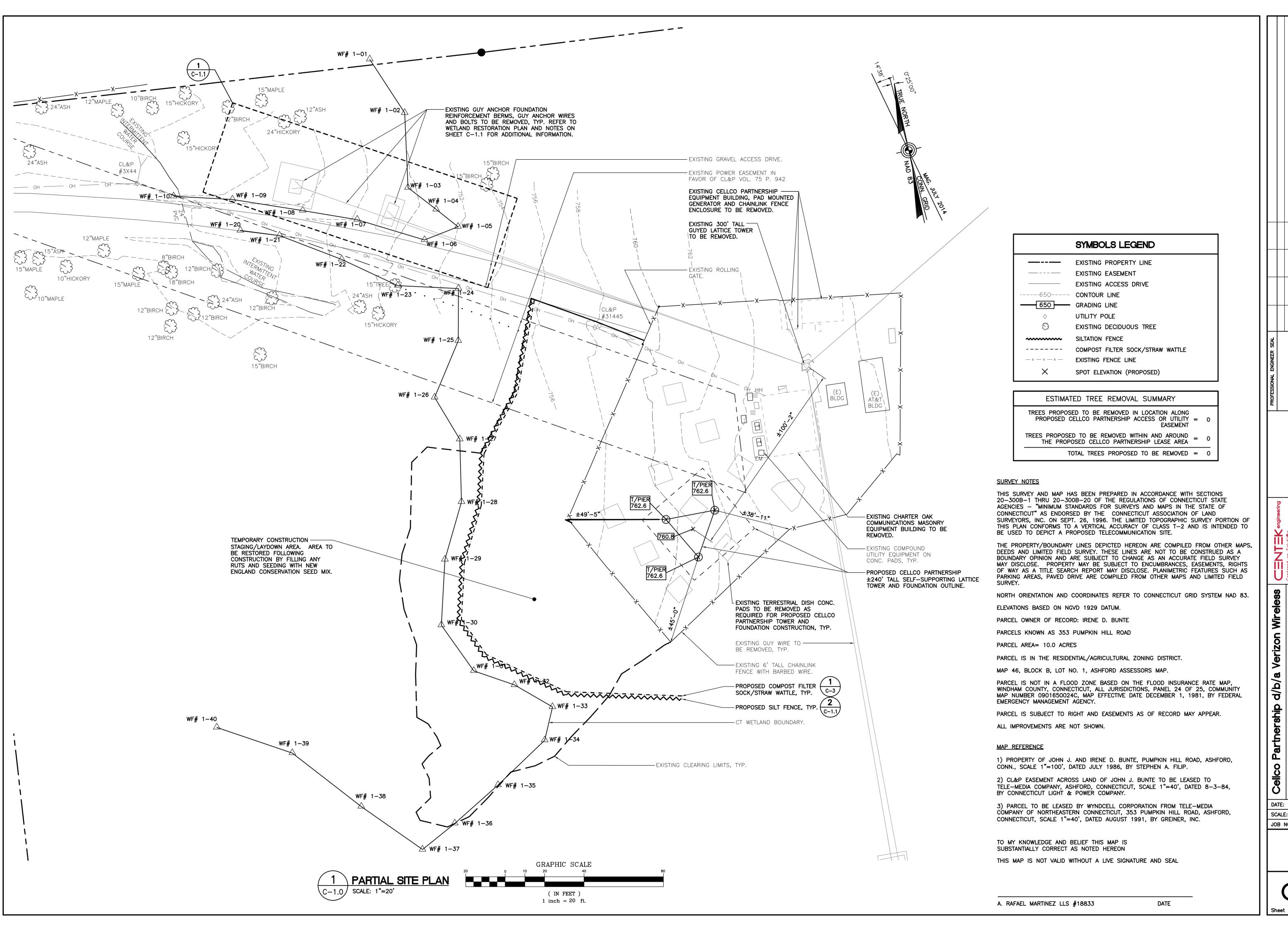
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Enclosure

cc: Anthony Befera, Cellco Partnership

Kenneth C. Baldwin, Robinson & Cole LLP



REVISED TO ADD TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION STAGING AREA
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DATE: 06/16/15

SCALE: AS NOTED

JOB NO. 14124.000

PARTIAL SITE PLAN

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