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CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

April 6, 2015

Kenneth C. Baldwin, Esq.
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RE: **PETITION NO. 1143** - 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 the existing Harvest Bakery building located at 84 Farmington Avenue, Bristol, Connecticut.

Dear Attorney Baldwin:

At a public meeting held on April 2, 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 tower 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 March 3, 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" followed by the initials "NAB" in a smaller, slightly larger font.

Robert Stein
Chairman

RS/MP/lm

Enclosure: Staff Report dated April 2, 2015

- c: The Honorable Ken Cockayne, Mayor, City of Bristol
- William J. Veits, Planner Commission Chairman, City of Bristol
- Martin Hurwitz, MCH Properties



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Petition No. 1143

Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless

84 Farmington Avenue, Bristol

Staff Report

April 2, 2015

On March 3, 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 the Harvest Bakery located at 84 Farmington Avenue, Bristol. Cellco currently maintains three existing cell sites within an approximately three-mile radius of the proposed site. Two of these existing sites: Cellco's Bristol and Bristol North sites are operating at or near their respective capacity limits. The commercial shopping areas, particularly the Bristol Commons Shopping Plaza to the north and traffic along Farmington Avenue (Route 6), have been identified as data traffic concentration sources that contribute to these existing capacity problems in the area. In an effort to resolve this capacity problem and provide customers with improved wireless services in the area, Cellco proposes to install a small cell facility.

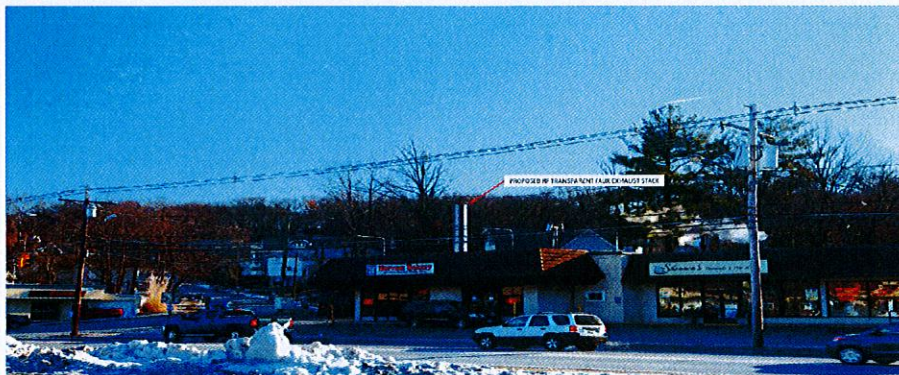
Specifically, Cellco would install a single canister-type antenna (12-inch diameter by 28 inches long) and one remote radio head (RRH) concealed within a two-foot diameter unipole tower (intended to look like an exhaust stack) on the roof of the building. The new unipole would extend 14 feet above the existing roof or approximately 12 feet above the existing parapet wall. An equipment cabinet would be mounted to the wall of the building on the southeastern side. Power and telephone service would be connected to existing service inside the building.

The maximum worst-case power density would be 15.4 percent of the applicable limit. No notice to the Federal Aviation Administration is required.

The visual impact of the small cell facility is not expected to be significant because of the stealth design intended to look like an exhaust stack. Furthermore, the faux exhaust stack facility would be slightly shorter in height than a real, existing exhaust stack located on the same roof. See the photo-simulation on the next page.

Notice was provided to the City of Bristol, the property owner, and abutting property owners. 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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