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RE: **DOCKET NO. 405** - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 422 Rockville Road, Voluntown, Connecticut.

Dear Attorney Baldwin:

At a public meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) held on December 13, 2012, the Council considered and approved the Development and Management (D&M) Plan submitted for this project on November 14, 2012.

This approval applies only to the D&M Plan submitted on November 14, 2012. Any changes to the D&M Plan require advance Council notification and approval.

Please be advised that deviations from this plan are enforceable under the provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50u. Enclosed is a copy of the staff report on this D&M Plan, dated December 13, 2012.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Very truly yours,

Robert Stein
Chairman

RS/RDM/jbw

Enclosure: Staff Report, dated December 13, 2012

c: Parties and Intervenors

The Honorable Ronald John Millovitsch, First Selectman, Town of Voluntown
Peter Zvingilas, Zoning Enforcement Officer, Town of Voluntown

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Development and Management Plan Staff Report

On January 20, 2011, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) issued a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need to Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless (Cellco) for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a wireless telecommunications facility located at 422 Rockville Road in Voluntown, Connecticut. On June 21, 2012, the Council extended the construction deadline to January 14, 2014. As required in the Council's Decision and Order, Cellco submitted a Development and Management Plan for the approved facility on November 14, 2012.

The tower site is located on an 11-acre parcel containing a residence, a field and woodland. The tower site is located in a small clearing adjacent to the open field area. Consistent with the Council's Decision and Order, Cellco moved the tower and compound approximately 100 feet north to a small cleared area to provide a buffer to nearby wetlands and to the Pachaug Trail, a hiking trail within the abutting Pachaug State Forest.

Consistent with the Council's Decision and Order, Cellco will construct a 160-foot monopole at the site, capable of supporting four levels of platform-mounted antennas. Cellco will install 15 panel antennas on a square-shaped antenna platform at a centerline height of 160 feet above ground level.

Cellco will construct a 50-foot by 50-foot equipment compound within a 100-foot by 100-foot lease area at the site. The compound will be surfaced with gravel and enclosed by an eight-foot high chain link fence with privacy slats. Cellco will install a 12-foot by 30-foot equipment shelter within the compound. A diesel backup power generator, capable of running for two to three days, will be installed within the shelter. A telephone cabinet and electrical transformer will be located outside the fenced compound, adjacent to the compound entrance gate.

Utilities to the compound will be installed underground from an existing utility pole adjacent to the site. The tower site will be accessed from an existing dirt road that will be improved for approximately 700 feet and a new gravel road for approximately 105 feet. Runoff along the access road will be controlled through the installation of two cross drainage swales and associated level spreaders.

Erosion and sedimentation controls will be installed to isolate the construction areas. A row of hemlock trees will be planted northeast of the compound area to screen the facility from the on-site residence.

Consistent with the Council's Decision and Order, the cumulative worst-case radio frequency power density level at the base of the tower would be 16% of the applicable ANSI standard.

All of the Development and Management Plan requirements set forth in the Council's Decision & Order for Docket 405 are in compliance; therefore, Council staff recommends approval.