

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Meeting of June 26, 2008**

A meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, June 26, 2008, in Hearing Room One, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut. The meeting was called to order with a quorum present by Daniel F. Caruso at 2:05 p.m.

**Council Members Present:**

Judge Daniel F. Caruso  
Chairman  
James J. Murphy, Jr.  
Gerald J. Heffernan  
(designee for Commissioner Downes)  
Brian Golembiewski  
(designee for Commissioner McCarthy)

Colin C. Tait  
Vice Chairman  
Daniel P. Lynch, Jr.  
Philip T. Ashton  
Ed Wilensky  
Barbara Currier Bell

**Staff Members Present:**

Robert L. Marconi  
Assistant Attorney General  
S. Derek Phelps  
Executive Director  
Fred O. Cunliffe  
Supervising Siting Analyst  
Christina Lepage  
Siting Analyst

Robert D. Mercier  
Siting Analyst  
David Martin  
Siting Analyst  
Michael Perrone  
Siting Analyst

**Recording Secretary:**

Carriann Mulcahy

**Minutes of June 5, 2008.**

Mr. Murphy moved to approve the minutes of June 5, 2008, seconded by Mr. Ashton. The motion passed unanimously.

**Minutes of June 19, 2008.**

Mr. Murphy moved to approve the minutes of June 19, 2008, seconded by Mr. Ashton. The motion passed unanimously.

**DOCKET NO. 156 - ALLTEL Newco LLC, Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for a telecommunications facility in Plymouth, Connecticut. Transfer of Certificate.**

**DOCKET NO. 182 - ALLTEL Newco LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for a telecommunications tower and associated equipment located approximately 520 feet southeast from the end of Rust Road, Barkhamsted, Connecticut. Transfer of Certificate.**

**DOCKET NO. 183 - ALLTEL Newco LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for a telecommunications tower approximately 1,150 feet east of the intersection of Tophet Road and Good Hill Road (Route 317), Woodbury, Connecticut. Transfer of Certificate.**

**DOCKET NO. 184 - ALLTEL Newco LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for a telecommunications tower located at 20 Antolini Road, New Hartford, Connecticut. Transfer of Certificate.**

**DOCKET NO. 185 - ALLTEL Newco LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for a telecommunications tower located at 70 Herb Road, Sharon, Connecticut. Transfer of Certificate.**

Mr. Wilensky moved to approve the Transfer of Certificates for all five sites, seconded by Mr. Ashton. The motion passed unanimously.

**DOCKET NO. 343 – MCF Communications bg, Inc and Omnipoint Communications, Inc. Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 237 Sandy Hollow Road, Groton, Connecticut. Development & Management Plan.**

Mr. Tait moved to remove this item from the table, seconded by Mr. Ashton. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the Development and Management Plan with the condition that the future 35-foot by 50-foot compound be constructed in accordance with this D&M Plan; seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

**DOCKET NO. 353 - 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 38 Maple Street, Kent, Connecticut. Development and Management Plan.**

Mr. Wilensky moved to approve the Development and Management Plan, seconded by Mr. Heffernan. The motion passed with Dr. Bell abstaining.

**DOCKET NO. 354 - 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 off of Old Baird Road, Watertown, Connecticut. Development and Management Plan.**

Mr. Murphy moved to approve the Development and Management Plan, seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed unanimously.

**DOCKET NO. 362 - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 165 Elmwood Hill Road, Putnam, Connecticut. Completeness Review, Schedule, Custodian of the Docket, Deposition of the Transcript, Request for Party/Intervenor Status.**

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the application as complete, the schedule for processing the docket as per staff recommendations, the appointment of Jessica Brito as custodian of the docket, the deposition of the transcript in the Town of Putnam, and a public field review and hearing in Putnam on Tuesday, August 5, 2008; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

**DOCKET NO. 363 – Crown Communications Inc. application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 258 Ridge Road, Madison, Connecticut. Request for Party/Intervenor Status.**

Mr. Murphy moved to approve party status to Omnipoint Communications, Inc., seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed unanimously.

**PETITION NO. 784 – Plainfield Renewable Energy, LLC petition for a declaratory ruling no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed construction, maintenance, and operation of a 37.5 MW Wood Biomass Generating Project, Plainfield, Connecticut. Motion to Reopen.**

Mr. Murphy moved to remove this item from the table, seconded by Mr. Ashton. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Tait moved to hold a hearing on whether or not to reopen the proceeding, seconded by Mr. Ashton. The motion passed with Mr. Lynch and Mr. Golembiewski abstaining.

**PETITION NO. 794 - Clearview Renewable Energy, LLC petition for a declaratory ruling no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a 29.0 MW Mixed Biomass Generating Project located at the Kofkoff Egg Farm, Bozrah, Connecticut. Request for Party Status.**

Mr. Murphy moved to approve party status for the Town of Bozrah, seconded by Mr. Tait. The motion passed with Mr. Lynch abstaining.

**PETITION NO. 857 – The Connecticut Light and Power Company petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed modifications to the existing Norwalk Harbor Substation in the City of Norwalk, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Heffernan moved to approve the petition, seconded by Mr. Wilensky. The motion passed unanimously.

**TS-CING-134-080529 – New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 159 Stafford Road, Stafford, Connecticut.**

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the order of tower sharing at a height of 137 ½ feet or 140 feet, seconded by Mr. Heffernan. The motion passed unanimously.

**EM-T-MOBILE-086-080604 – Omnipoint Communications, Inc. a.k.a. T-Mobile notice of intent to modify an existing telecommunications facility located at 57 Cook Road, Montville, Connecticut.**

No action was taken on this item.

**EM-CING-086-080618 – New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC notice of intent to modify an existing telecommunications facility located at 57 Cook Road, Montville, Connecticut.**

No action was taken on this item.

### **Administrative Matters**

Chairman Caruso announced that the next energy/telecommunications meeting is scheduled on Thursday, July 10, 2008, at 2:00 p.m., in Hearing Room Two. Other calendar dates were also discussed.

Mr. Phelps discussed the Department of Public Utility Control's press release regarding their peaking plant RFP final decision.

Mr. Tait suggested opening a docket to gather information on other sources of energy not clearly defined as under the Siting Council's jurisdiction, i.e. renewable, wind power, etc.

Mr. Phelps inquired about having another Cellular Symposium in late 2008, or early 2009. The Council members instructed Mr. Phelps to make necessary arrangements to hold the event as described.

**Adjournment.**

Chairman Caruso adjourned the meeting at 2:50 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Daniel F. Caruso**  
**Chairman**

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