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CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

April 6, 2015

Kenneth C. Baldwin, Esq.
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RE: **PETITION NO. 1141** - 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 an existing office building located at 200 Executive Boulevard, Southington, 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 February 27, 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" with a stylized flourish at the end.

Robert Stein
Chairman

RS/MP/lm

Enclosure: Staff Report dated April 2, 2015

- c: The Honorable Michael Riccio, Chairman, Town of Southington
- Garry Brumback, Town Manager, Town of Southington
- Robert Phillips, Town Planner, Town of Southington
- Executive Two Hundred, LLC

Petition No. 1141
Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless
200 Executive Boulevard, Southington
Staff Report
April 2, 2015

On February 27, 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 an office building owned by Executive Two Hundred, LLC and located at 200 Executive Boulevard, Southington. Cellco currently maintains two cell sites within a one-mile radius of the proposed site. One of these sites, Cellco's Southington site at 625 Spring Street, is currently operating beyond its capacity limits in one sector. Commercial, office and retail development along Route 229 and Executive Boulevard north of Interstate 84 has been identified as a data traffic concentration area that contributes to an existing capacity problem. In an effort to relieve this capacity problem and provide customers with improved wireless services in the area, Cellco proposes to install a small cell facility on the roof of a building at the subject property.

Specifically, Cellco would install a single canister-type antenna (12-inch diameter by 28 inches long) to the top of a small/tower mast structure attached to a mechanical equipment screen wall on the roof of the building. The mast and antenna would extend approximately 5-foot 5-inches above the existing screen wall. Equipment associated with the small cell facility would be located in a small cabinet attached to the inside of the same mechanical equipment screen wall. Power and telephone service would be connected to existing service inside the building.

The maximum worst-case power density would be 10.4 percent of the applicable limit. No notice to the Federal Aviation Administration is required.

The visual impact of the project is expected to be negligible as the small cell facility would have a narrow profile and would extend less than six feet above the screen wall. Visibility of the small cell installation would be limited to an approximately 800-foot radius or less. See the photo-simulation on the next page.

Notice was provided to the Town of Southington, 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.

