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Ms. Sandy Carter
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RE: **DOCKET NO. 318** – 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 at 1191 Terryville Road in Bristol, Connecticut.

Dear Ms. Carter:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) requests your responses to the enclosed questions no later than September 21, 2006. To help expedite the Council's review, please file individual responses as soon as they are available.

Please forward an original and 20 copies to this office. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan, the Council is requesting that all filings be submitted on recyclable paper, primarily regular weight white office paper. Please avoid using heavy stock paper, colored paper, and metal or plastic binders and separators. Fewer copies of bulk material may be provided as appropriate.

Yours very truly,



S. Derek Phelps
Executive Director

SDP/cdm

c: Kenneth C. Baldwin, Esq., Robinson & Cole
Council Members
Parties and Intervenors

**Docket 318: Cellco
Bristol, Connecticut
Pre-Hearing Interrogatories, Set One**

1. Subsequent to Cellco's pre-application consultations with local officials, did any official representing Bristol or Plymouth (other than the Bristol City Planner) issue any statement regarding Cellco's plans for this site? Did any land use board or municipal council conduct any public hearings or meetings on Cellco's plans? Did such boards or councils pass any resolutions or issue any decisions or statements about Cellco's plans? If so, provide copies of such documents.
2. Did Cellco provide the same technical information to Plymouth officials that it did to Bristol officials?
3. What are the characteristics of this proposal that make it exempt from regulation under Bristol's zoning regulations?
4. Provide the following information: number of channels per sector for each antenna system that would be installed on the proposed tower, ERP per channel for each antenna system, frequency at which each antenna system would operate.
5. At what frequencies is Cellco licensed to operate?
6. What frequency (or frequencies) is represented on the propagation maps provided after Tab 7 of the application?
7. Of the letters sent to abutting property owners, how many certified mail receipts did Cellco receive? If any receipts were not returned, which owners did not receive their notice. Did Cellco make additional attempts to contact those property owners?
8. Would Cellco's antennas comply with E911 requirements?
9. What is the total area Cellco's antennas would cover from this site? What is the total area covered if Cellco's antennas were ten feet lower?
10. What is the distance Cellco's antennas at this site would cover on Route 6 at the proposed height? Route 72? What are the respective distances if Cellco's antennas were ten feet lower?
11. What is the signal strength for which Cellco designs its system?
12. What is the signal strength in those areas Cellco is seeking to cover from this site?
13. Did Cellco conduct any drive tests for this site? If so, provide information depicting the results of these tests.
14. Could repeaters, microcells, or distributed antenna systems provide coverage in Cellco's target area comparable to that which would be provided by the proposed flagpole tower?
15. Identify those adjacent sites with which the proposed site would hand off signals.

16. How many trees would be removed to develop this site?
17. Quantify the amounts of cuts and fills that would be required to develop this site.
18. The application narrative states the fence around the planned compound would be eight feet high. A detail on the site plan depicts a six-foot high fence. Confirm the planned height of the compound fence.
19. Which specification would the proposed tower be built to — Electronic Industries Association Standard EIA/TIA-222-E or F?
20. When was Cellco's search ring for this area first issued? How large was the ring? Where was it centered? Submit a map showing the search ring.
21. Has Cellco contacted any other carriers about the possibility of using this site? If so, have any other carriers shown a potential interest in this site? Provide any supporting documentation.
22. How would utility service be provided to the site?
23. Did Cellco contact Connecticut's DEP regarding the possibility of endangered or threatened species in the vicinity of this site? If so, provide DEP's response.
24. What is the lowest height at which Cellco's antennas could achieve its coverage objectives from this site? Submit propagation maps showing the coverage at ten feet below this height.
25. Would any blasting be required to develop this site?
26. Explain the relocated drainage pipe shown on Drawing C-2 of the proposed facility's site plans.
27. Estimate the number of residences that would have a year-round view of the tower; the number that would have a seasonal view.
28. View sites 2, 4, 5, and 6 of the Visual Resource Evaluation Report appear to be outside areas shown as having views of the proposed tower and yet the tower is shown to be visible from these sites. Are there other areas that might have views of the tower that are not shown on the viewshed map?
29. Of the total number of acres from which the tower would be visible, how many of these acres are undeveloped, i.e. golf course property, watershed land, or vacant land?
30. Does Cellco plan to fly a flag from the proposed flagpole tower?