STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

November 20, 2006

Nicole Dentamaro
VHB.
54 Tuttle Place
Middletown, CT 06457-1847

Re: Verizon Wireless Telecommunications Facility, CT-11-841A&B –Holmberg Orchard, Ledyard

Dear Ms. Dentamaro:

I have reviewed Natural Diversity Data Base maps and files regarding the area delineated on the map you provided for the proposed Verizon Wireless Telecommunication Facility located at Holmberg Orchard in Ledyard, Connecticut. According to our information there are no known extant populations of Federal or State Endangered, Threatened or Special Concern Species that occur at the site in question.

Natural Diversity Data Base information includes all information regarding critical biological resources available to us at the time of the request. This information is a compilation of data collected over the years by the Natural Resources Center's Geological and Natural History Survey and cooperating units of DEP, private conservation groups and the scientific community. This information is not necessarily the result of comprehensive or site-specific field investigations. Consultations with the Data Base should not be substitutes for on-site surveys required for environmental assessments. Current research projects and new contributors continue to identify additional populations of species and locations of habitats of concern, as well as, enhance existing data. Such new information is incorporated into the Data Base as it becomes available.

Please contact me if you have further questions at 424-3592. Thank you for consulting the Natural Diversity Data Base. Also be advised that this is a preliminary review and not a final determination. A more detailed review may be conducted as part of any subsequent environmental permit applications submitted to DEP for the proposed site.

Sincerely,

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