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TO: Parties and Intervenors

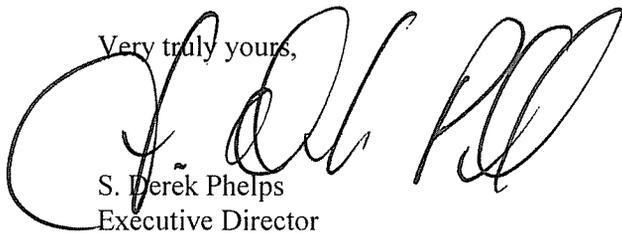
RE: **DOCKET NO. 322** - Optasite, Inc. and Omnipoint Communications, Inc. application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 12 Orchard Drive, Ledyard, Connecticut.

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) will hold a pre-hearing conference on procedural matters on Monday, November 6, 2006, in the Council's office, at Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut, beginning at 11:00 a.m. All parties and intervenors are requested to attend. The purpose of this pre-hearing conference is to expedite the hearing procedure without sacrificing an informative record necessary for the Council to render a decision.

At the conference, parties and intervenors will be encouraged to discuss requirements for pre-filed testimony, exhibit lists, administrative notice lists, expected witness lists, and the filing of pre-hearing interrogatories. To save the time and expense of the public, the Council wishes to avoid direct testimony at the hearing.

Each party and intervenor is requested to provide all other parties and intervenors in attendance a list of witnesses and the subjects their pre-filed testimony will address, a list of documents to be administratively noticed, and copies of any available exhibits to be offered at the hearing. The pre-hearing conference will also address the grouping of parties and intervenors and the order of presentations at the hearing.

Very truly yours,

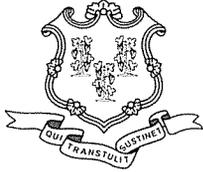


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Enclosures

1. Hearing Notice
2. Service List



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HEARING NOTICE

Pursuant to provisions of General Statutes § 16-50m and Section 16-50j-21 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, notice is hereby given that the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, November 28, 2006, beginning at 4:00 p.m., and continued at 7:00 p.m., at the Ledyard High School Media Center, 24 Gallup Hill Road, Ledyard, Connecticut, and thereafter as necessary. The hearing will be on an application by Optasite, Inc. and Omnipoint Communications, Inc. for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a wireless telecommunications facility at one of two locations at 12 Orchard Drive, Ledyard, Connecticut.

The purpose of the hearing is to hear evidence on the applicant's contentions that the public need for the facility outweighs any adverse environmental effects that would result from the construction, operation, or maintenance of a tower, ground equipment, and access road. The 4:00 p.m. hearing session will provide the applicant, parties, and intervenors an opportunity to cross-examine positions. The applicant will be allowed a final rebuttal. Arguments will be entertained in writing after the close of the last hearing session. The 7:00 p.m. hearing session will be reserved for the public to make brief statements into the record. Cross-examination of parties and intervenors will resume, if necessary, after all statements have been heard.

The Council will conduct a public field review of the proposed sites on Tuesday, November 28, 2006, beginning at 3:00 p.m. The applicant will fly balloons during the field review to simulate the heights of the proposed facilities.

Applicable law for this proceeding includes the Public Utility Environmental Standards Act, General Statutes § 16-50g, et seq., and Sections 16-50j-1 through 16-50v-1a of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

The Council will hold a pre-hearing conference on procedural matters on November 6, 2006, beginning at 11:00 p.m. at the Council's office, 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.

The Council requests that all testimony and exhibits are to be pre-filed with the Council and all parties and intervenors by November 21, 2006. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan, the Council requests 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.

Individuals will be encouraged to participate through their elected officials, and other party/intervenor groupings.

Any person seeking to be named or admitted as a party or intervenor to the proceeding may file a written request to be so designated at the office of the Connecticut Siting Council, 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut 06051, on or before November 21, 2006.

Parties and intervenors will be allowed to submit briefs and proposed findings of fact within 30 days after the close of the hearing.

Any person who is not a party or intervenor to this proceeding may file a written statement with the Council at the hearing or any time up to 30 days thereafter. Such statements will become part of the record. No written statement or any other material, evidence, or other information will be accepted from any person not a party or intervenor to the proceeding after 30 days following the close of the hearing, except as otherwise prescribed by law or the Council.

A verbatim transcript of the hearing session(s) will be made and deposited with the Town Clerk's Office of the Ledyard and Preston Town Halls for the convenience of the public.

Requests for information in alternative formats or for sign-language interpreter services must be submitted in writing by November 14, 2006.

The applicant of this facility is represented by the following:

Applicant

Optasite, Inc. and
Omnipoint Communications, Inc

Its Representative

Julie D. Kohler, Esq.
Carrie L. Larson, Esq.
Cohen & Wolf, P.C.
1115 Broad Street
Bridgeport, CT 06604

A copy of the application is available for review at the Council's office during office hours at 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut, (860) 827-2935. The Council has assigned this application Docket no. 322.

October 20, 2006

Connecticut Siting Council

LIST OF PARTIES AND INTERVENORS
SERVICE LIST

Status Granted	Status Holder (name, address & phone number)	Representative (name, address & phone number)
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