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RE: **DOCKET NO. 323** - MCF Communications bg, 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 Carpenter
Road, Bolton, Connecticut.

Dear Ms. Kohler and Ms. Larson:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) requests your responses to the enclosed questions no later than December 19, 2006. To help expedite the Council's review, please file individual responses as soon as they are available.

Please forward an original and 15 copies to this office and a .pdf file on a compact disc. 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

c: Council Members
Parties and Intervenors

PRE-HEARING INTERROGATORIES
DOCKET NO. 323 - BOLTON
MCF COMMUNICATIONS BG, INC. AND OMNIPOINT COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
NOVEMBER 30, 2006

1. When was the search ring first established for western Bolton? Provide the shape and dimensions of the search ring.
2. Provide the distance and direction of the proposed structure to each of the existing telecommunications structures listed behind Tab G.
3. Is T-Mobile located on the existing structures listed behind Tab G? If so, which ones and at what height on the structure?
4. How tall would the CL&P poles, which exist on the host parcel, have to be for any of them to provide adequate coverage for T-Mobile?
5. What is the elevation of the proposed site? The site map behind Tab A of the application states that it is approximately 620 feet above mean sea level (amsl) and the report behind Tab J states that the elevation is 568 feet amsl.
6. Characterize the vegetation located on the property including type, approximate density and height.
7. What would be the diameter at the base and the top of the proposed monopole?
8. Would T-Mobile be willing to use a low profile or t-bar platform for the antenna mounting?
9. Would T-Mobile require a generator or batter back up in the case of a power failure?
10. Would any grading or filling be required for the construction of the proposed site?
11. What is the length of the existing paved driveway that would be used to access the proposed site? What is the length of the new gravel access drive that would extend from the existing drive to the proposed site?
12. What is the number of residences located within a 1,000 foot radius of the proposed site?
13. What is the distance, direction and property owner of the nearest residence to the proposed site?
14. What is the distance of the house on the host parcel to the proposed site?
15. What is the distance and direction of the apartment buildings on the host parcel to the proposed site?
16. Were the residents of the apartments on the host parcel sent notification of the proposed project?
17. The total estimated cost of construction on page 20 of the applications is \$285,473; however the numbers in breakdown below add up to \$246,097. Please clarify the total estimated cost of construction.

18. Does the estimated cost in the application include the cost of installing T-Mobile's antennas?
19. Did a qualified herpetologist conduct surveys of the site to determine if this area is wood turtle habitat? If so, were the surveys forwarded to the Connecticut DEP?
20. What is the distance and direction of the nearest wetland and waterbody from the proposed site?
21. Provide the viewshed map done by Clough, Harbor & Associates LLP.
22. Provide, on a map, the locations of the photographs behind Tab K of the application. What is the distance of each of these photograph locations from the proposed site?
23. What is the estimated length along each road, identified in the application on page 2 of Tab K, from which the proposed structure would be visible?
24. What is the land use within a two mile radius of the proposed site that would have visibility of the proposed tower?
25. What is T-Mobile's minimum signal level threshold to provide adequate service in western Bolton?
26. What is the length of T-Mobile's gap in coverage along I-384? What is the signal level in the gap?
27. Were return receipts received for all landowner abutting the proposed sites? If not, was any additional effort made to make sure that notice was received?
28. List any property owners for which a return receipt was not received.
29. Provide statistics, if available, on the number of dropped calls, or equivalent data, that presently exist within the target service area.
30. Would MCF be willing to locate the proposed site farther to the southwest to provide greater distance from nearby properties?
31. Provide a range of elevation of the CL&P transmission structures located on the host parcel.
32. What is the minimum height would T-Mobile require to provide adequate coverage from the area of the CL&P structures on the host parcel?
33. Would the positioning of Nextel antennas at the 107 foot level of the proposed tower (spaced ten feet between two other carriers) provide adequate spacing in the future given the 15 foot spacing that is usually required between Nextel and Cingular Wireless?
34. What is the total area that MCF leased for the proposed project? Page 9 of the application states that the leased area is 4,900 square feet while site plans behind Tab A show a 100 foot by 100 foot leased parcel.
35. How many trees with diameters of six inches or greater would be removed for the construction of the proposed access road? How many would be removed for the construction of the proposed compound?

36. The topographic map behind Tab A appears to show the proposed site in a different location than the topographic map behind Tab J, which is correct?
37. To what does the 15-foot by 15-foot dimension behind Tab N of the application refer?
38. Provide the Affidavit of Publication for the notice of submitting the application to the Council.
39. Provide the height and latitude and longitude coordinates for the tower on Box Mountain, which was mentioned by the Town of Bolton in a letter behind Tab O of the application.
40. Describe MCF's attempts to contact the Town of Manchester regarding the potential of locating a proposed site on the Town of Manchester property adjacent to the host parcel.