

DOCKET NO. 130A - Metro Mobile
CTS of Fairfield County, Inc.,
Application to Amend its Certificate
of Environmental Compatibility and
Public Need for the construction,
operation, and maintenance of
cellular telephone antennas and
associated equipment in the City
of Bridgeport, Connecticut.

Connecticut

Siting

Council

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FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On September 29, 1989, Metro Mobile CTS of Fairfield County, Inc., (Metro Mobile) in accordance with the provisions of Sections 16-50g to 16-50z of the Connecticut General Statutes (CGS), applied to the Connecticut Siting Council (Council), for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need (Certificate) for the installation, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility, consisting of antennas and associated equipment to provide increased domestic public cellular radio telecommunications service (cellular service) in the City of Bridgeport, Connecticut, within the Bridgeport New England County Metropolitan Area (Bridgeport NECMA). The facility would be located in and on the existing Remington Arms Shot Tower (RAST) building, 939 Barnum Avenue, Bridgeport, Connecticut. (Docket 130 Record)
2. After giving due notice thereof, the Council inspected the site and held a public hearing for the proposed facility on January 11, 1990, beginning at 4:00 P.M. and reconvening at 7:00 P.M., in the Thomas Hooker School, Roger Williams Road, Bridgeport, Connecticut. (Docket 130 Record)
3. The parties to the proceeding are the applicant and the persons and organization whose names are listed in the Decision and Order, which accompanies these Findings of Fact. (Record)
4. On May 7, 1990, the Council approved the application. The Council's decision included Findings of Fact, an Opinion, and a Decision and Order for the construction, operation, and maintenance of the proposed facility. The Council's Decision and Order included a provision for submittal of a Development and Management (D&M) Plan prior to the commencement of construction to confirm that the facility would be built as specified in the Council's record. (Connecticut Siting Council, Docket 130, Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order, May 7, 1990).
5. On July 9, 1990, and July 25, 1990, Metro Mobile submitted elements of a D&M Plan changing the location of the cellular equipment storage area from the fifth floor inside the RAST building to a proposed eight foot by 30

foot structure to be located adjacent to and east of the RAST building in a grassy industrial courtyard surrounded by existing structures. (D&M Plan dated July 9, 1990, and July 25, 1990)

6. On July 24, 1990, a Council subcommittee inspected the site of the proposed relocation in conjunction with the submittal of the D&M Plan. (Record)
7. At a meeting of the Council held on July 25, 1990, the Council reviewed the D&M Plan and requested Metro Mobile to amend the Certificate to accommodate the changes in the location of the equipment room. (Meeting minutes July 25, 1990).
8. On August 9, 1990, Metro Mobile submitted an application to amend its Certificate for the relocation of the equipment room from the fifth floor of the RAST building to an eight-foot by 30-foot shelter located on ground level within a courtyard adjacent to and east of the RAST building. (Application for Amendment to Certificate, dated August 9, 1990)
9. The relocation was necessary because airborne dust laden with lead created from the manufacture of lead shot in the building would be detrimental to equipment and to the health of company personnel. (Application for Amendment to Certificate, dated August 9, 1990; D&M Plan, dated July 9, 1990 and July 25, 1990)
10. The proposed amendment would not increase any environmental impacts from the project including effects to the site, building, and adjacent area. In addition, the amendment would reduce difficulties in construction and maintenance of the proposed facility. (Application for Amendment to Certificate, dated August 9, 1990; D&M Plan, dated July 9, 1990 and July 25, 1990)

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