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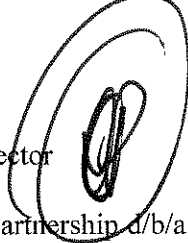
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DATE: January 8, 2009

TO: Council Members

FROM: S. Derek Phelps, Executive Director 

RE: **DOCKET NO. 372** – 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 located 631 Orange Avenue, Milford, Connecticut.

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### I. Introduction

The application is from Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility and associated equipment in the City of Milford, Connecticut.

Cellco proposes to erect a 110-foot telecommunications tower within a 47-foot by 57-foot compound on a 14.23-acre parcel owned by the Central Connecticut Coast YMCA. A YMCA facility is located on the parcel.

### II. Technical

The application includes relevant maps, descriptions of the proposed prime and alternate site, costs, a description of the environmental effects of the proposed construction, and health and safety information. The application meets statutory technical requirements for processing the application. Council staff believes additional information can be obtained through pre-hearing interrogatories. This project would not require an outside consultant.

### III. Administrative Review

The applicant has stated that all service and filing requirements pursuant to General Statutes § 16-501 (b) have been fulfilled. The applicant stated that notice to the general public was published in The New Haven Register.

### IV. Procedural

The Council must schedule a hearing for the proceeding between 30 and 150 days after receipt of an application. The Council must also appoint a custodian of the docket and designate a place for the deposition of the transcript. Staff recommends designating Lisa Fontaine as custodian of the docket, holding the public hearing in the City of Milford on Thursday, March 5, 2009, and depositing the transcript in the Milford City Hall and the Orange Town Hall.

V. Proposed Schedule

Application received	12/09/08
Completeness review	01/08/09
Subcommittee meeting	01/08/09
Pre-hearing Questions	
• Set-One Filed	01/13/09
• Set-One responses due	02/05/09
• Set-Two Filed	02/11/09
• Set-Two responses due	02/27/09
Pre-hearing conference (10:00 a.m.)	02/19/09
Pre-filed testimony due	02/26/09
Deadline to request Party/Intervenor status	02/26/09
Field review (2:00 p.m.)	03/05/09
Hearing (3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.)	03/05/09
Close of Record	04/06/09
Draft Findings of Fact	04/10/09
Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion & Decision & Order	04/29/09
Deadline for Decision	06/08/09
180-day extension date	12/04/09

Siting Analyst: David Martin

c: Lisa Fontaine, Connecticut Siting Council