

## STATE OF CONNECTICUT

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March 16, 2009

Ms. Sandy Carter Regulatory Manager Verizon Wireless 99 East River Drive East Hartford, CT 06108

RE: **DOCKET NO. 374** - 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 at 199 Town Farm Road, Farmington, Connecticut.

Dear Ms. Carter:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) requests your responses to the enclosed questions no later than April 2, 2009. To help expedite the Council's review, please file individual responses as soon as they are available.

Please forward an original and 20 copies to this office. 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.

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c: Joey Lee Miranda, Esq., Robinson & Cole Council Members Parties and Intervenors



## Docket 374: Cellco Farmington, Connecticut Pre-Hearing Interrogatories, Set One

- 1. What are the frequencies Cellco is licensed to use in Hartford County?
- 2. Would Cellco's antennas comply with E911 requirements?
- 3. Identify distances and directions to the adjacent sites with which the proposed site would hand off signals? Include addresses of these sites.
- 4. Provide the following information: number of channels per sector for each antenna system that would be installed on the proposed tower, ERP per channel for each antenna system, and frequency at which each antenna system would operate.
- 5. What is the lowest height at which Cellco's antennas could achieve its coverage objectives from this site? Submit propagation maps showing the coverage at ten feet below this height.
- 6. Of the letters sent to abutting property owners, how many certified mail receipts did Cellco receive? If any receipts were not returned, which owners did not receive their notice? Did Cellco make additional attempts to contact those property owners?
- 7. What is the signal strength for which Cellco designs its system? For in-vehicle coverage? For in-building coverage?
- 8. What is the existing signal strength in those areas Cellco is seeking to cover from this site? How were these signal strengths determined?
- 9. What is the size of the coverage gap on Route 10 that Cellco is seeking to cover from the proposed site at cellular frequencies? At PCS frequencies?
- 10. How many trees with a diameter of 6" or greater at breast height would be removed to develop the proposed facility?
- 11. Quantify the amounts of cut and fill that would be required to develop the proposed facility.
- 12. How many different carriers would the tower be designed to accommodate?
- 13. When was Cellco's search ring for this area first issued? How large was the ring? Where was it centered? Submit a map showing the search ring (with compass and scale).
- 14. There are two Farmington Country Clubs listed among the sites investigated by Cellco. Are these two properties under single ownership or two separately-owned properties?
- 15. Is the Farmington Polo Grounds within Farmington's Flood Protection Zone?
- 16. Has Cellco contacted any other carriers about the possibility of using this site? If so, have any other carriers shown a potential interest in this site? Provide any supporting documentation.

- 17. The application states that the facility's security fence and gate would be screened (see page 3, paragraph 2). How would they be screened?
- 18. How would utilities be brought to the facility?
- 19. Would any blasting be required to develop the site?
- 20. Did any of the boards or commissions of the Town of Farmington conduct any meetings about this proposal or issue any statements or recommendations regarding it? If so, provide such documentation.
- 21. Why would Cellco use a propane-fueled generator at this site?
- 22. How would Cellco mount its antennas to the proposed tower?
- 23. Would the tower's setback radius encroach on any adjoining properties? If so, state the distance of the encroachment and who owns these properties?
- 24. What was the nature of the concerns raised by Ronald Simmons about the proposed facility (see Application p. 19, first paragraph)? Provide Cellco's response to Farmington Town Planner Jeffrey Ollendorf regarding Simmons' concerns.
- 25. Provide Cellco's letter to Mr. Ollendorf regarding the facility's visual impact on the Devonwood neighborhood.
- 26. Does Cellco operate fuel cells at any of its Connecticut sites? If so, at which sites?
- 27. What is Cellco's corporate position on employing fuel cells as a power source or emergency back-up power?
- 28. Is Cellco proposing the use of fuel cells at any of its planned, approved, or existing facilities?

Date: January 27, 2009

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