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TO: Parties and Intervenors

FROM: S. Derek Phelps, Executive Director

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.

By its Decision and Order dated August 17, 2009, the Connecticut Siting Council granted 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.

Enclosed are the Council's Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order.

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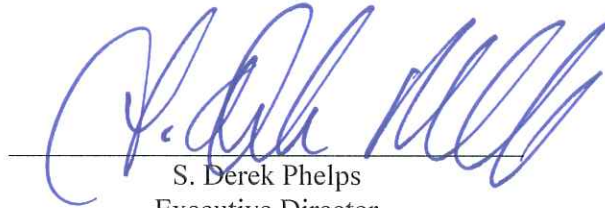
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ss. New Britain, Connecticut :

COUNTY OF HARTFORD)

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order issued by the Connecticut Siting Council, State of Connecticut.

ATTEST:



S. Derek Phelps
Executive Director
Connecticut Siting Council

I certify that a copy of the Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order in Docket No. 374 has been forwarded by Certified First Class Return Receipt Requested mail, on August 18, 2009, to all parties and intervenors of record as listed on the attached service list, dated May 15, 2009.

ATTEST:



Lisa A. Fontaine
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August 13, 2009

Findings of Fact

Introduction

1. Pursuant to Chapter 277a, Sections 16-50g et seq. of the Connecticut General Statutes (CGS), as amended, and Section 16-50j-1 et seq. of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies (RCSA), Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless (Cellco) applied to the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) on January 23, 2009 for the construction, operation, and maintenance of a telecommunications facility, which would include a 110-foot tall monopole tower to be disguised as a pine tree (the pine tree branches would bring the overall height of the tower to 117 feet), at 199 Town Farm Road in the Town of Farmington, Connecticut. (Cellco 1, pp. i, 1)
2. Cellco's application is for a proposed facility that was the subject of Docket 356, which was withdrawn. (Cellco 1, p. 1 - footnote)
3. Cellco is a Delaware Partnership with an administrative office located at 99 East River Drive, East Hartford, Connecticut. Cellco is licensed by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to operate a wireless telecommunications system in Connecticut. The operation of wireless telecommunications systems and related activities are Cellco's sole business in Connecticut. (Cellco 1, p. 4)
4. The parties in this proceeding are the applicant, Susan Edelson, and Claude Brouillard. (Transcript, May 14, 2009, 3:25 p.m. [Tr. 1], pp. 6-7)
5. The purpose of the proposed facility is to provide coverage along Route 10 and nearby local roads in the northeasterly portion of the Town of Farmington and the southeasterly portion of the Town of Avon. The facility would also provide additional traffic handling capacity in the Farmington area by off-loading traffic from Cellco's existing sites in the area. (Cellco 1, p. 2; Cellco 1, Attachment 9, p. 2)
6. Pursuant to CGS § 16-50m, the Council, after giving due notice thereof, held a public hearing on May 14, 2009, beginning at 3:25 p.m. and continuing at 7:00 p.m. in Farmington, Connecticut. (Tr. 1, p. 3 ff.)
7. The Council and its staff conducted an inspection of the proposed site on May 14, 2009, beginning at 2:00 p.m. The applicant flew a balloon at the site from 7:00 a.m. until approximately 6:30 p.m. at a height of 117 feet to simulate the proposed monopine tower. Weather conditions were difficult for the balloon flight, with strong winds and periods of rain. Several balloons were lost due to the weather conditions, and it was difficult to keep a balloon at the proposed height of the tower. Visibility was approximately one mile. (Tr. 1, pp. 29 ff)

8. Pursuant to CGS § 16-50l(b), Cellco published notice of its intent to submit this application on January 20 and 21, 2009 in The Hartford Courant. (Cellco 1, p. 5; Cellco 2)
9. In accordance with CGS § 16-50l(b), Cellco sent notices of its intent to file an application with the Council to each person appearing of record as owner of property abutting the property on which the site is located. (Cellco 1, pp. 5-6; Attachment 5)
10. Cellco received return receipts from all but eight of the abutting property owners to whom it sent notices. For five of these eight owners, Cellco received back notices from the post office that the certified letters were unclaimed. Cellco sent follow-up, first class mail letters to these five property owners. (Cellco 5, Response 6)
11. Pursuant to CGS § 16-50l (b), Cellco provided copies of its application to all federal, state and local officials and agencies listed therein. (Cellco 1, p. 5; Attachment 3)
12. On April 24, 2009, Cellco posted a sign on the host property informing the public of its pending application. Information on the sign included the time and date of the Council's scheduled public hearing in this application and contact information for the Council. (Cellco7; Tr. 1, p. 33)

State Agency Comment

13. Pursuant to CGS § 16-50l, the Council solicited comments on Cellco's application from the following state departments and agencies: Department of Agriculture, Department of Environmental Protection, Department of Public Health, Council on Environmental Quality, Department of Public Utility Control, Office of Policy and Management, Department of Economic and Community Development, and the Department of Transportation. The Council's letters requesting comments were sent on March 18, 2009 and May 15, 2009. (CSC Hearing Package dated March 18, 2009; CSC Letter to State Department Heads dated May 15, 2009)
14. The Connecticut Department of Transportation (ConnDOT) responded to the Council's solicitation with no comments. (Letter from ConnDOT dated May 4, 2009)
15. The Connecticut Department of Public Health (DPH) responded to the Council's solicitation with no comments. (Memorandum from DPH dated April 27, 2009)
16. Governor M. Jodi Rell submitted a letter urging the Council make its decision with a full appreciation for the balance between technology and land conservation. (Letter from M. Jodi Rell, dated May 14, 2009)

17. The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) submitted correspondence that addressed several issues related to Cellco's original application (Docket 356) for a telecommunications facility at 199 Town Farm Road. DEP concluded that it was unlikely any homes in the Devonwood residential development would have views of the proposed tower. DEP also stated that the portion of the Town of Farmington-owned property being leased to Cellco was not covered by the Conservation and Public Recreation Easement and Agreement between DEP and the town under the Open Space and Watershed Lands Acquisition Program. Finally, DEP opined that a monopine tower, because of its comparatively greater width and visual mass, would be more visible from distant viewpoints than a typical monopole tower. (Cellco 1, Attachment 11, Letter from Frederick Riese dated April 11, 2008)
18. Besides the state officials and agencies identified above, the Council did not receive comments from any other state agencies. (Record)

Municipal Consultation

19. At a meeting of the Farmington Town Plan and Zoning Commission held on July 23, 2007, the Commission voted to recommend approval of the lease of land located at 199 Town Farm Road for a communications tower. (Cellco 1, p. 18; Cellco 5, Tab C - Minutes of Regular Meeting Town Plan and Zoning Commission, July 23, 2007)
20. On August 14, 2007, the Farmington Town Council voted to authorize the Town Manager to enter into a lease agreement with Cellco for the purpose of constructing and operating a cellular tower at 199 Town Farm Road. (Cellco 1, p. 18; Cellco 5, Tab C - Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Farmington Town Council held August 14, 2007)
21. Cellco representatives met with Farmington Town Manager Kathleen Eagen and Avon Town Manager Philip Schenk on September 14, 2007 to commence the 60-day municipal consultation process for the application that was submitted as Docket 356. At these meetings both town managers received copies of technical information summarizing Cellco's plans to establish a new telecommunications facility in Farmington. (Cellco 1, p. 18)
22. On February 14, 2008, the Farmington Town Planner, Jeffrey Ollendorf, contacted Cellco regarding concerns raised by Ronald Simmons, the farmer who leases the host property from the Town of Farmington, about Cellco's proposed telecommunications facility. (Cellco 1, p. 19)
23. Cellco addressed the concerns of Ronald Simmons in a letter sent to Jeffrey Ollendorf on March 19, 2008. (Cellco 1, p. 19; Cellco 3, Tab E)
24. In February 2008, Mr. Ollendorf also contacted Cellco regarding the visibility of its proposed facility from the Devonwood neighborhood. (Cellco 1, p. 19)
25. Cellco responded to Mr. Ollendorf about the facility's visibility from Devonwood on March 21, 2008. (Cellco 1, p. 19)

26. Prior to re-submitting its application, Cellco met with Farmington Town Manager Kathleen Eagen on November 6, 2008 to commence a new sixty day municipal review period. (Cellco 1, p. 19)
27. The Avon Town Manager, Philip Schenk, requested that Cellco send him copies of its technical report on the facility in lieu of a meeting. Copies of the technical report were sent on November 6, 2008. (Cellco 1, p. 19)
28. Cellco would provide space on its proposed tower for town public safety antennas, should such a need exist, at no charge. (Cellco 1, p. 11; Tr. 1, p. 41)

Public Need for Service

29. In its Report and Order issued May 4, 1981 in FCC Docket No. 79-318, the FCC recognized the public need for technical improvement, wide-area coverage, high quality service and a degree of competition in mobile telephone service. (Cellco 1, p. 6)
30. The federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Act), a federal law passed by the United States Congress, recognized a nationwide public need for high-quality wireless telecommunication services. The Act also promoted competition among wireless service providers, tried to foster lower prices for consumers, and encouraged the rapid deployment of new telecommunications technologies. (Cellco 1, p. 6)
31. Cellco's proposed facility at 199 Town Farm Road would be part of its expanding wireless telecommunications network envisioned by the Act. (Cellco 1, p. 6)
32. Cellco holds licenses issued by the FCC to provide wireless services at cellular (800 MHz frequency band), Personal Communications Service (PCS – 1900 MHz frequency band), and 700 MHz frequencies in Hartford County. (Cellco 1, pp. 7-8; Attachment 6)
33. In issuing cellular licenses, the federal government has preempted the determination of public need for cellular service by the states, and has established design standards to ensure technical integrity and nationwide compatibility among all systems. (Council Administrative Notice, Telecommunications Act of 1996)
34. The Telecommunications Act of 1996 prohibits local and state bodies from discriminating among providers of functionally equivalent services. (Council Administrative Notice, Telecommunications Act of 1996)
35. The Telecommunications Act of 1996 prohibits any state or local entity from regulating telecommunications towers on the basis of the environmental effects of radio frequency emissions to the extent that such towers and equipment comply with FCC's regulations concerning such emissions. This Act also blocks the Council from prohibiting or acting with the effect of prohibiting the provision of personal wireless service. (Council Administrative Notice, Telecommunications Act of 1996)

36. In an effort to ensure the benefits of wireless technologies to all Americans, Congress enacted the Wireless Communications and Public Safety Act of 1999 (the 911 Act). The purpose of this legislation was to promote public safety through the deployment of a seamless, nationwide emergency communications infrastructure that includes wireless communications services. (Council Administrative Notice, Wireless Communications and Public Safety Act of 1999)
37. Cellco's antennas would comply with the requirements of the 911 Act. (Cellco 5, Response 2)
38. Cellco asked other wireless carriers licensed in Connecticut if they might be interested in using this site. No other carrier indicated an interest at this time. (Cellco 5, Response 16)

Site Selection

39. The search ring for the site Cellco identified as Farmington North 2 (formerly Avon 3) was first issued in August 2000. The search was approximately 0.4 miles east to west and 1.3 miles north to south and initially centered on an area north of the proposed site. (Cellco 5, Response 13)
40. As part of a previous site search of its own, AT&T had identified the Simmons Family Farm property as a potential tower location and had discussed a lease with the Town of Farmington. Cellco reviewed the coverage possible from this location, and, due to the town's apparent willingness to lease the property, felt that the Simmons property was an appropriate tower location. (Cellco 5, Response 13)
41. In 2000, Cellco only operated on cellular frequencies. It purchased the right to operate on PCS frequencies in 2003. As a result of adding PCS frequencies, Cellco had to adjust its search area to fit its new RF parameters for providing acceptable coverage. (Tr. 1, p. 76)
42. Cellco has antennas mounted on eight existing communications facilities located within approximately four miles of its proposed site in Farmington. The existing facilities are listed below:

Facility Owner	Facility Type	Location	Cellco's Antenna Ht.
Avon Water Company	Water Tank	Darling Drive, Avon	123'
Avon Water Company	Water Tank	24 Ridgewood Road, Avon	66'
Talcott Mountain Science Center	60-foot lattice tower	Talcott Mountain, Bloomfield	56'
Marlin Tower	346-foot lattice tower	3114 Albany Avenue, West Hartford	130'
Private Company	Roof-top	1371 Farmington Avenue, Farmington	84'
UCONN Health Center	Roof-top	263 Farmington Avenue, Farmington	131'

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Facility Owner	Facility Type	Location	Cellco's Antenna Ht.
Sprint	140-foot monopole	130 Birdseye Road, Farmington	110'
First Church of Christ, Unionville	Church Steeple	61 Main Street, Unionville	95'

(Cellco 1, p. 10; Attachment 9; Tr. 1, p. 39)

43. Cellco determined that there were no existing structures that would provide suitable coverage to its target area. (Cellco 1, pp. 10-11)
44. Cellco identified and investigated 29 potential sites for its proposed facility. These sites and the determinations of their suitability are described below.
 - a. Simmons Family Farm: This is a 9.9-acre parcel owned by the Town of Farmington, located on the west side of Route 10 not far south of the Avon town line. This is the site of Cellco's proposed facility.
 - b. Town of Avon Department of Public Works: This is an approximately 11-acre parcel off Arch Road in Avon. This site's proximity to Cellco's existing Avon (Darling Drive and Ridgewood Road) cell sites would result in significant redundant coverage.
 - c. Rotondo Inc.: This is an approximately 12-acre parcel at 151 Old Farms Road in Avon. This site's proximity to Cellco's existing Avon (Darling Drive and Ridgewood Road) cell sites would result in significant redundant coverage.
 - d. Sandford & Hawley: This is an approximately 6.4-acre parcel off Sandscreen Road in Avon. This site's proximity to Cellco's existing Avon (Darling Drive and Ridgewood Road) cell sites would result in significant redundant coverage.
 - e. Pinnacle Tower Site – This is an approximately 30.3-acre parcel off of Deercliff Road in Avon, near the top of Avon Mountain. A facility here would not be able to satisfy Cellco's coverage objectives because it would overshoot the target area.
 - f. WTIC Radio Tower – This is an approximately 21.6-acre parcel off of Deercliff Road in Avon, near the top of Avon Mountain. A facility here would not be able to satisfy Cellco's coverage objectives because it would overshoot the target area.
 - g. Farmington Country Club – This is an approximately 37.4-acre parcel with a street address of 806 Farmington Avenue. This location is too far south to achieve Cellco's coverage objectives.
 - h. Women's Health Property – This is an approximately 3.6-acre parcel located at 22 Waterville Road in Avon. This location is too far north to achieve Cellco's coverage objectives.
 - i. River Farms Property – This is a parcel located off of Route 10 in Avon. This location is too far north to achieve Cellco's coverage objectives.

- j. Charles Atkinson Property – This is an approximately 3-acre parcel located at 117 Cider Brook Road in Avon. In order for Cellco to achieve its coverage objectives from this site, it would need a structure of at least 200 feet in height.
- k. Damico/Matteo Property – This property consists of two parcels at 610 Waterville Road (approximately 3.4 acres) and 630 Waterville Road (approximately 6 acres) in Avon. The presence of wetlands and multiple watercourses on these properties would make finding a suitable location extremely difficult.
- l. Julianne Wayne Property – This is an approximately 13.1-acre parcel at 219 Cider Brook Road in Avon. Wetlands on this property would make finding a suitable location for Cellco’s facility difficult.
- m. Frank Zawisa Property – This is an approximately 3.8-acre parcel off of Route 10 in Avon. In order to achieve its coverage objectives from this location, Cellco would need a structure of at least 200 feet in height.
- n. Philip Schenck (now Emer Coyne) Property – This is an approximately 8.8-acre at 595 Waterville Road in Avon. The majority of this property is encumbered by wetlands and a floodplain associated with the Farmington River. Finding a suitable location for Cellco’s facility on this property would be difficult.
- o. Bruce Manternach Property – This is an approximately 23.6-acre parcel at 112 Cider Brook Road in Avon. In order for Cellco to achieve its coverage objectives from this site, it would need a structure at least 200 feet in height.
- p. Tillottson Road/CL&P Structure – In order for Cellco to achieve its coverage objectives from this site, the structure would need to be at least 200 feet in height.
- q. Route 10/CL&P Structure - In order for Cellco to achieve its coverage objectives from this site, the structure would need to be at least 200 feet in height.
- r. Merrifield/Coyne Property – This is an approximately 17.25-acre parcel at 575 Waterville Road in Avon. In order for Cellco to achieve its coverage objectives from this site, it would need a structure at least 200 feet in height.
- s. Charlotte Church Property – This is an approximately 2.2-acre parcel at 47 Cider Brook Road in Avon. In order for Cellco to achieve its coverage objectives from this site, the structure would need to be at least 200 feet in height.
- t. Lackey Property – This is an approximately 6-acre parcel at 691 Waterville Road in Avon. Because this property is located within the floodplain of the Farmington River, finding a suitable location for Cellco’s facility on this property would be difficult.
- u. Arute Property – This is an approximately 20-acre parcel at 345 Waterville Road in Avon. This location is too far north for Cellco to achieve its coverage objectives.

- v. Low Property – This is an approximately 8.1-acre parcel at 333 Waterville Road in Avon. This location is too far north for Cellco to achieve its coverage objectives.
 - w. Pachucki Property – This is an approximately 3.3-acre parcel at 4 Hickory Hill Road in Avon. This location is too far north for Cellco to achieve its coverage objectives.
 - x. Percival Property – This is an approximately 4-acre parcel at 25 Hickory Hill Road in Avon. This location is too far north for Cellco to achieve its coverage objectives.
 - y. Farmington Country Club – This is an approximately 93.9-acre parcel off of Route 10 in Farmington. This location is too far south for Cellco to achieve its coverage objectives.
 - z. Farmington Polo Grounds – This is an approximately 59.5-acre parcel located at 152 Town Farm Road in Farmington. In order for Cellco to achieve its coverage objectives from this site, it would need a structure at least 200 feet in height. (Cellco 1, Attachment 9)
45. Cellco investigated downtilting its antennas on the towers on Deercliff Road in order to cover its target area. Even with significant downtilting, antennas on these towers would be subject to shadowing along Route 10, Cellco's main coverage target from this site, and could not effectively cover this area. (Tr. 1, pp. 39-40 and 61-62)
46. Approximately 80 percent of the Farmington Polo Grounds property lies within the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)-designated floodway of the Farmington River, which is a high energy flood zone that is restrictive for development. The portion of the Polo Grounds property not within the FEMA floodway is adjacent to Town Farms Road. (Transcript, May 14, 2009, 7:00 p.m. [Tr. 2], pp. 47, 59-63)
47. The Farmington Club, located just to the north of the Farmington Polo Grounds, was rejected as a potential site because most of the property is largely encumbered by the FEMA floodway of the Farmington River. (Tr. 2, p. 46)
48. In addition to the potential sites identified in the finding number 44, Cellco also attempted to investigate several sites at Avon Old Farms School. These sites included the field house, water tank, and playing fields. Cellco attempted to contact school officials but received no reply. (Cellco 1, Attachment 9)
49. After the filing of Cellco's application with the Council, a representative of Avon Old Farms School (School) contacted Cellco to inquire about the feasibility of locating its proposed facility at the School. Cellco representatives visited the School and looked at two locations that had sufficiently high ground elevations to be potentially feasible: the School's Field House, at 220 feet above mean sea level (AMSL), and a cabin site near Beaver Dam Pond, at 250 feet AMSL. After investigating both of these locations, Cellco determined that it could not achieve its coverage objectives from either of them. Even with a tower greater than 200 feet in height, Cellco would still experience significant coverage gaps on Route 10, which is the primary coverage target for this facility. (Cellco 4, Supplemental Information dated March 27, 2009; Cellco 6, Response 1)

50. Cellco maintains that there is no equally effective technological alternative that could provide the same service as the facility being proposed. (Cellco 1, p. 10)

Site Description

51. Cellco's proposed site would be located on a 9.9 acre parcel (known as the Simmons Family Farm) at 199 Town Farm Road (Figures 1 and 2). The parcel is owned by the Town of Farmington and is used for residential and agricultural purposes. The Simmons Family Farm is located approximately 3,000 feet west of Route 10. (Cellco 1, p. 2; p. ii)
52. The 9.9 acre parcel referred to as the Simmons Family Farm (also referred to as the Fisher Family Farm, as the property was known when acquired by the Town of Farmington) is not designated as open space by the State of Connecticut nor is it listed on any federal, state, or local register of historic places. (Tr. 2, pp. 111-113, 117-118; Cellco Exhibit 10)
53. The Simmons Family Farm is located in an R-40 residential zone. Farmington allows wireless telecommunications facilities in residential zones with a special permit approval. (Cellco 1, p. 2, 17; Cellco 1, Bulk file – Farmington Regulations for Zoning)
54. Cellco's site would be located in the western portion of the Simmons Family Farm property. Cellco would lease a 100-foot by 100-foot parcel at the proposed location, within which it would develop a 60-foot by 60-foot compound that would include a 110-foot monopole tower disguised as a pine tree (Figure 3). The simulated branches of the monopine tower would extend an additional seven feet above the top of the tower to an overall structure height of 117 feet above ground level. (Cellco 1, pp. 2-3; Attachment 1, p. 1)
55. Cellco would erect a monopine tower at the explicit request of the town. (Cellco 1, p. 13; Tr. 1, p. 35)
56. Cellco considered enclosing its tower within a silo structure, but the Town of Farmington preferred a monopine structure. (Tr. 1, pp. 34-35)
57. Cellco engineers its monopine towers in such a way that the artificial tree branches can be removed and/or relocated to accommodate additional carriers coming onto the tower. (Tr. 1, p. 37)
58. The proposed tower would be located at 41° 45' 27.99" N latitude and 72° 49' 47.75" W longitude. Its elevation at ground level would be approximately 189 feet above mean sea level. (Cellco 1, Attachment 1)
59. Cellco's tower would be designed in accordance with the specifications of the Electronic Industries Association Standard EIA/TIA-222-F "Structural Standards for Steel Antenna Towers and Antenna Support Structures." The diameter of the tower would be approximately 60 inches at its base and 30 inches at its top. It would be designed to accommodate four carriers. (Cellco 1, Attachment 1, p. 6; Tr. 1, pp. 33-34)

60. Cellco would install 15 antennas (six cellular, six PCS, and three 700 MHz) using T-arm mounts at a centerline height of 110 feet above ground level (AGL). There would be five antennas in each of three sectors. (Cellco 1, p. 11; Cellco 5, Response 22; Tr. 1, p. 47)
61. Cellco's ground equipment would be housed in a 12-foot by 30-foot single story shelter near the base of the tower. Cellco would install a propane-fueled generator for use during power outages. The generator would operate periodically for maintenance purposes. Cellco's facility would include a 1,000 gallon propane tank to fuel the generator. The tank would be located in the northeast corner of the facility compound. (Cellco 1, p. 3)
62. Cellco would use a propane-fueled generator at this site so as to distinguish its fuel from that used by the farm operations on the property in the event of an unintended fuel release. (Cellco 5, Response No. 21)
63. Cellco's compound would be enclosed by an eight-foot high chain link fence topped with three strands of barbed wire. (Cellco 1, p. 3; Attachment 1, Drawing SC-3)
64. Development of the proposed site would require 2.1 cubic yards of cut and 4.5 cubic yards of fill. (Cellco 5, Response 11)
65. Vehicular access to the site would extend westerly from Town Farm Road approximately 580 feet over a new gravel driveway. (Cellco 1, p. i, Attachment 1, p. 1)
66. Utilities would extend underground from existing service on Town Farm Road and would follow the gravel driveway. (Cellco 1, Attachment 1, Drawing SC-1; Cellco 5, Response No. 18)
67. Cellco does not anticipate that blasting would be required to develop this site. (Cellco 5, Response 19)
68. The proposed tower's setback radius would extend slightly beyond the limits of the Simmons Family Farm property to the south and to the north onto other property owned by the town. (Cellco 5, Response 23)
69. There are 13 residences within 1,000 feet of the proposed facility. (Cellco 1, p. 14)
70. The nearest residence is located approximately 750 feet west of the proposed tower location. It is owned by Susan Edelson. (Cellco 1, p. 14)
71. Land use in the surrounding area consists of agricultural fields, undeveloped woodlands, and residential development. (Cellco 1, p. 16)

72. The estimated cost of the facility, including antennas and radio equipment but excluding leasehold costs, is:

Cell site radio equipment	\$475,000
Tower, coax, and antennas costs	365,000
Power systems costs	20,000
Equipment building costs	60,000
<u>Miscellaneous costs</u>	<u>45,000</u>
Total	\$965,000

(Cellco 1, pp. 21-22)

Environmental Considerations

73. Cellco's proposed facility would have no effect on Connecticut's historic, architectural, or archaeological heritage. (Cellco 1, Attachment 11 – Letter from State Historic Preservation Office dated December 17, 2007)
74. There are no known extent populations of Federal or State Endangered, Threatened or a state Special Concern Species at Cellco's proposed site. (Cellco 1, Attachment 11 – Letter from Connecticut DEP dated October 1, 2007)
75. There are no wetlands or watercourses within 100 feet of Cellco's proposed facility. (Cellco 1, Attachment 12 – Letter from Thomas Pietras, Soil Scientist dated January 22, 2008)
76. The nearest wetlands are located over 500 feet to the east and are associated with the flood plain of the Farmington River. (Tr. 1, p. 43)
77. Cellco would establish and maintain appropriate soil erosion and sedimentation control measures, in accordance with the 2002 Connecticut Guidelines for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control established by the Connecticut Council for Soil and Water Conservation, in cooperation with the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection, throughout the construction period of its proposed facility. (Cellco 1, p. 17)
78. Cellco would remove 12 trees with diameters at breast height of six inches or more to develop the proposed facility. (Cellco 1, Attachment 1, p. 4; Cellco 5, Response 10)
79. An air-space analysis conducted by Cellco indicated that, according to Federal Aviation Administration standards, the proposed tower would not constitute an obstruction or hazard to air navigation and would not require obstruction marking or lighting. (Cellco 1, p. 20; Attachment 13)

80. The cumulative worst-case maximum power density from the radio frequency emissions of the proposed Cellco antennas is calculated to be 0.1574 mW/cm^2 or 23.94% of the standard for Maximum Permissible Exposure, as adopted by the FCC, at the base of the proposed tower. This calculation was based on methodology prescribed by the FCC Office of Engineering and Technology Bulletin No. 65E, Edition 97-01 (August 1997) that assumes all antennas would be pointed at the base of the tower and all channels would be operating simultaneously, which creates the highest possible power density levels. Under normal operation, the antennas would be oriented outward, directing radio frequency emissions away from the tower, thus resulting in significantly lower power density levels in areas around the tower. (Cellco 1, p. 15; Cellco 5, Response to Question 4)

Visibility

81. Cellco's proposed tower would be visible above the tree canopy on a year-round basis from approximately 102 acres in the surrounding vicinity. The main areas of visibility occur along Town Farm Road and Tillotson Road and adjacent open areas to the east and west of the roadway corridor. Intermittent views of the proposed tower are likely on select portions of Bishop Lane and Cider Brook Road. (Cellco 1, Attachment 10, p. 4)
82. The proposed tower would be seasonally visible from approximately 9 additional acres, most of which would occur on the host property and its immediate vicinity. (Cellco 1, Attachment 10, p. 5)
83. The proposed tower would be visible year-round from portions of an estimated four residential properties. Three of these properties would be located on Cider Brook Road; the other property would be located on Stonefield Road. (Cellco 1, Attachment 10, pp. 4-5)
84. Based upon a visit to the home of Dr. and Mrs. Edelson on Belgravia Terrace at a time when leaves were off the trees, VHB, Cellco's environmental consultant, concluded that significant views of the proposed tower from the Devonwood neighborhood would be unlikely. (Tr. 1, p. 38)
85. Some homes along a mountain ridge approximately a mile-and-a-half to a mile-and-three-quarters east of the site could have partial views of the proposed tower when leaves are off the trees. (Tr. 1, pp. 44, 45)
86. The elevated views of the tower from these homes would have a backdrop of vegetation, making the tower appear less prominent in the landscape. (Tr. 1, p. 45)
87. The tower would not be visible from the Metacomet Trail, which is approximately 1.7 miles to the east of Cellco's proposed site. (Tr. 1, p. 41; Cellco 1, Attachment 10 – Viewshed Map)

88. The visibility of Cellco’s proposed tower from different vantage points in the surrounding vicinity is summarized in the following table. The vantage points listed are identified by their corresponding number in the Visual Resource Evaluation Report contained in Attachment 10 of Cellco’s application (Figure 8).

<u>Location</u>	<u>Site Visible</u>	<u>Approx. Portion of (117’) Tower Visible (ft.)</u>	<u>Approx. Distance and Direction to Tower</u>
1 – Town Farm Road adjacent to host Property	Yes	Upper 70’	690 feet; SW
2 – Tillotson Road (Town Farm Road in Avon)	Yes	Upper 50’	1,700 feet; SW
3 – Tillotson Road (Town Farm Road in Avon)	Yes	Upper 30’	4,100 feet, SW
4 – Old Farms Road, adjacent to Trautman Park	Yes	Upper 20’	5,600 feet; SW
5 – Bishop Lane and Cider Brook Road	Yes	Upper 30’	5,800 feet, SW

(Cellco 1, Attachment 10 – Photographic Simulations)

Existing and Proposed Wireless Coverage

89. In Hartford County, Cellco is licensed to operate in the cellular frequency bands:

869-880 and 890-891.5 MHz for Transmit (Tx)
 824-835, 845-846.5 MHz for Receive (Rx)

and in the PCS F Block frequency bands:

1970-1975 MHz for Transmit
 1890-1895 MHz for Receive

Cellco recently acquired radio spectrum in the 700 MHz frequency bands:

746-757 MHz for Transmit
 776-787 MHz for Receive

Cellco would utilize all of its licensed frequencies at the proposed site.
 (Cellco 5, Response 1)

90. Cellco uses its cellular frequency band primarily for voice calls and its PCS frequency band primarily for data services, which include email, Blackberries, and laptops. (Tr. 2, pp. 37-38)

91. Cellco would use its 700 MHz frequency bandwidth for its 4G technology, which would include data services with an overlaid voice service. (Tr. 1, p. 50)

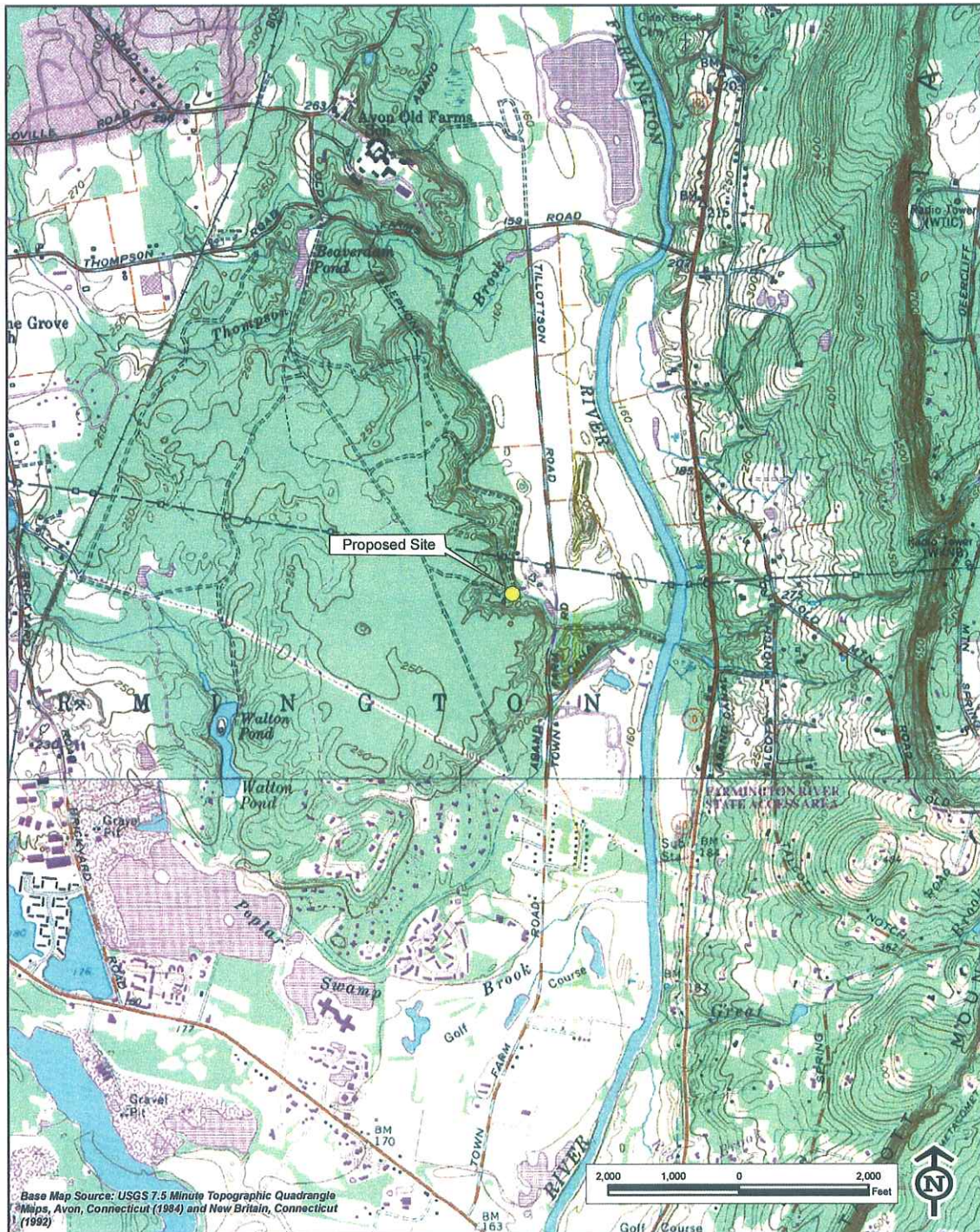
92. Cellco's design signal coverage threshold is -85 dBm for in-vehicle coverage and -75 dBm for in-building coverage. (Cellco 5, Response 7)
93. Cellco's existing signal strengths in the area that would be served by the proposed facility ranges from -86 dBm to -95 dBm. These signal strengths were determined through the use of baseline drive data and propagation modeling tools. (Cellco 5, Response 8)
94. Cellco's coverage objective is to stay below one percent of Ineffective Attempts and Lost Calls. It is experiencing an Ineffective Attempt rate of calls of 0.96% and a Lost Call rate of 0.81% in the area that would be covered by the proposed facility. (Tr. 2, p. 40; Data submitted by Cellco on June 15, 2009)
95. Cellco experiences a 2.65 mile coverage gap on Route 10 at cellular frequencies (Figure 4) and a 5.5 mile gap at PCS frequencies (Figure 6). (Cellco 5, Response 9)
96. At cellular frequencies, Cellco's antennas would cover an approximately 4.01 mile portion of Route 10 (Figure 5). At PCS frequencies, its antennas would cover approximately 2.56 miles on Route 10 (Figure 7). (Cellco 1, p. 2)
97. Cellco's cellular antennas would cover a total area of approximately 5.1 square miles from the proposed location. Its PCS antennas would cover an area of approximately 2.1 square miles. (Cellco 1, p. 2)
98. If the proposed tower were to be approved, Cellco would still have coverage gaps along Route 10 to the south near the intersection with Route 4 and to the north near the intersection with Route 44. Cellco is actively searching for sites to cover these areas. (Tr. 1, pp. 43-44)
99. Cellco's proposed facility would hand off signals with the adjacent facilities identified in the following table.

Site Location	Distance and Direction to Site
Darling Drive, Avon	3.45 miles to north
24 Ridgewood Road, Avon	2.72 miles to west
Talcott Mountain, Bloomfield	4.19 miles to northeast
3114 Albany Avenue, West Hartford	3.15 miles to northeast
1371 Farmington Avenue, Farmington	1.88 miles to southwest
263 Farmington Avenue, Farmington	2.76 miles to southeast
130 Birdseye Road, Farmington	3.06 miles to south

(Cellco 5, Response 3; Tr. 1, p. 39)

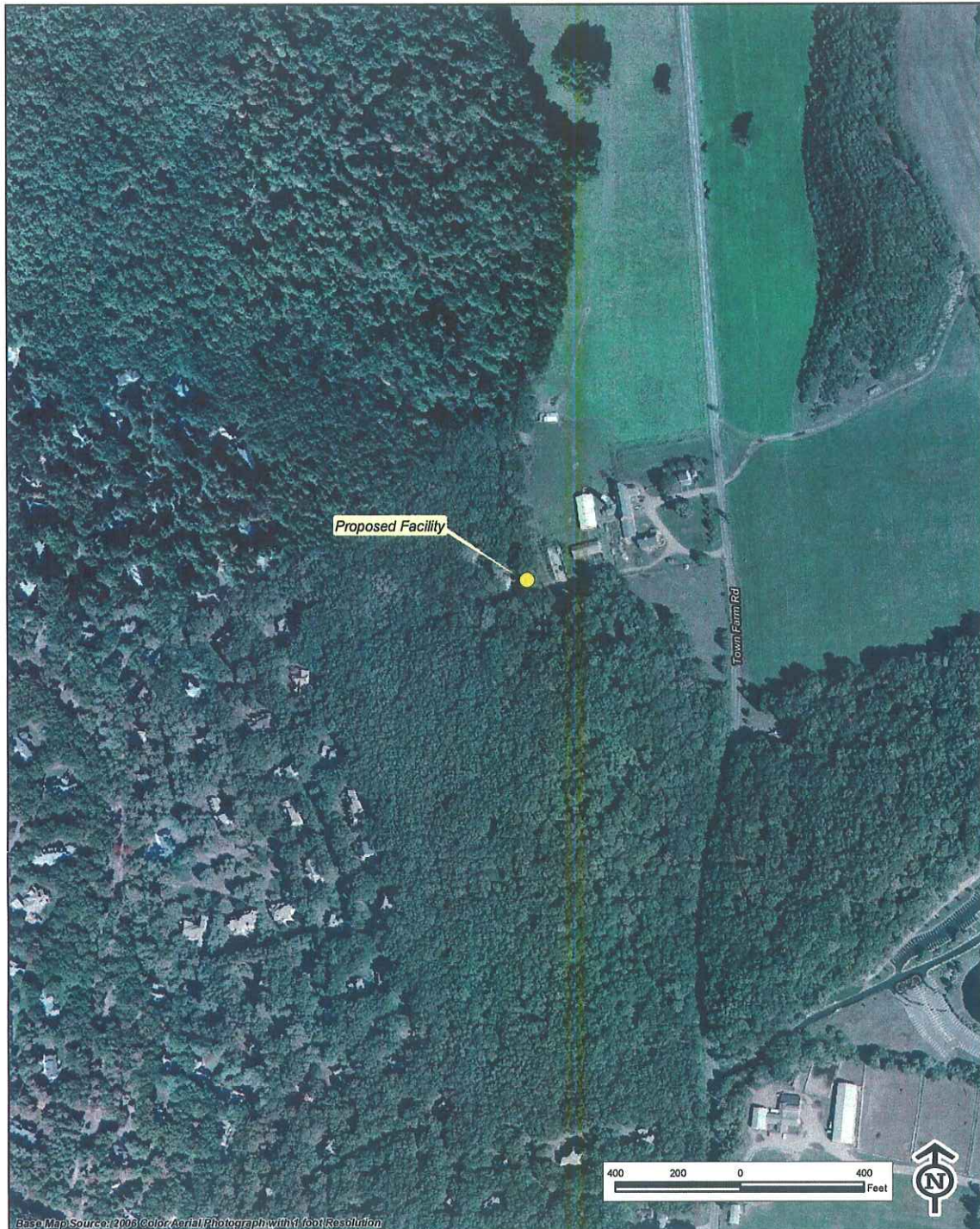
100. The lowest height at which Cellco could achieve its coverage objectives at the proposed location would be 110 feet. (Cellco 5, Response 5)

Figure 1: Location Map



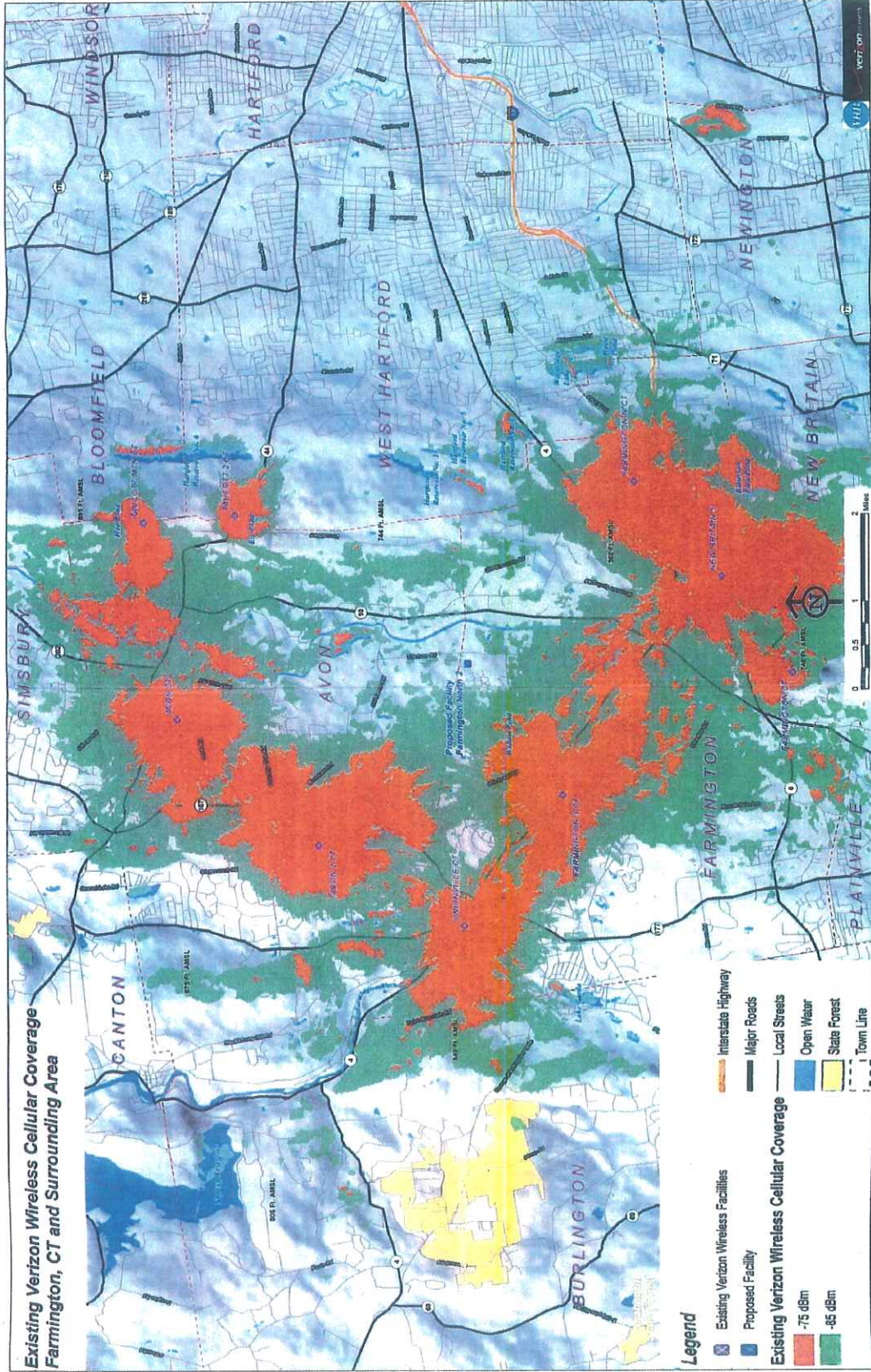
(Cellco 1, p. ii)

Figure 2: Aerial Photograph of Site



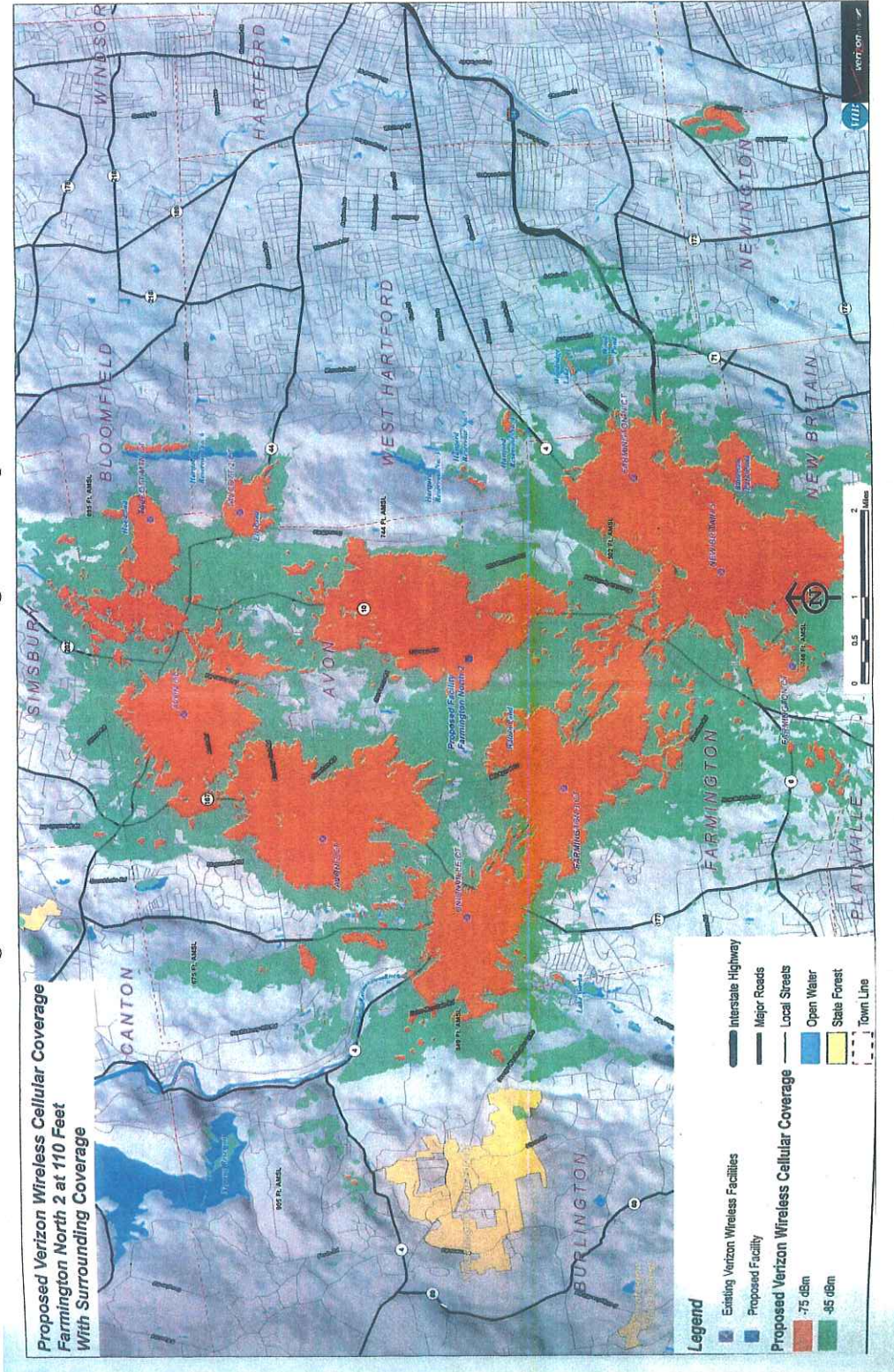
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Figure 4: Cellco's Existing Cellular Coverage



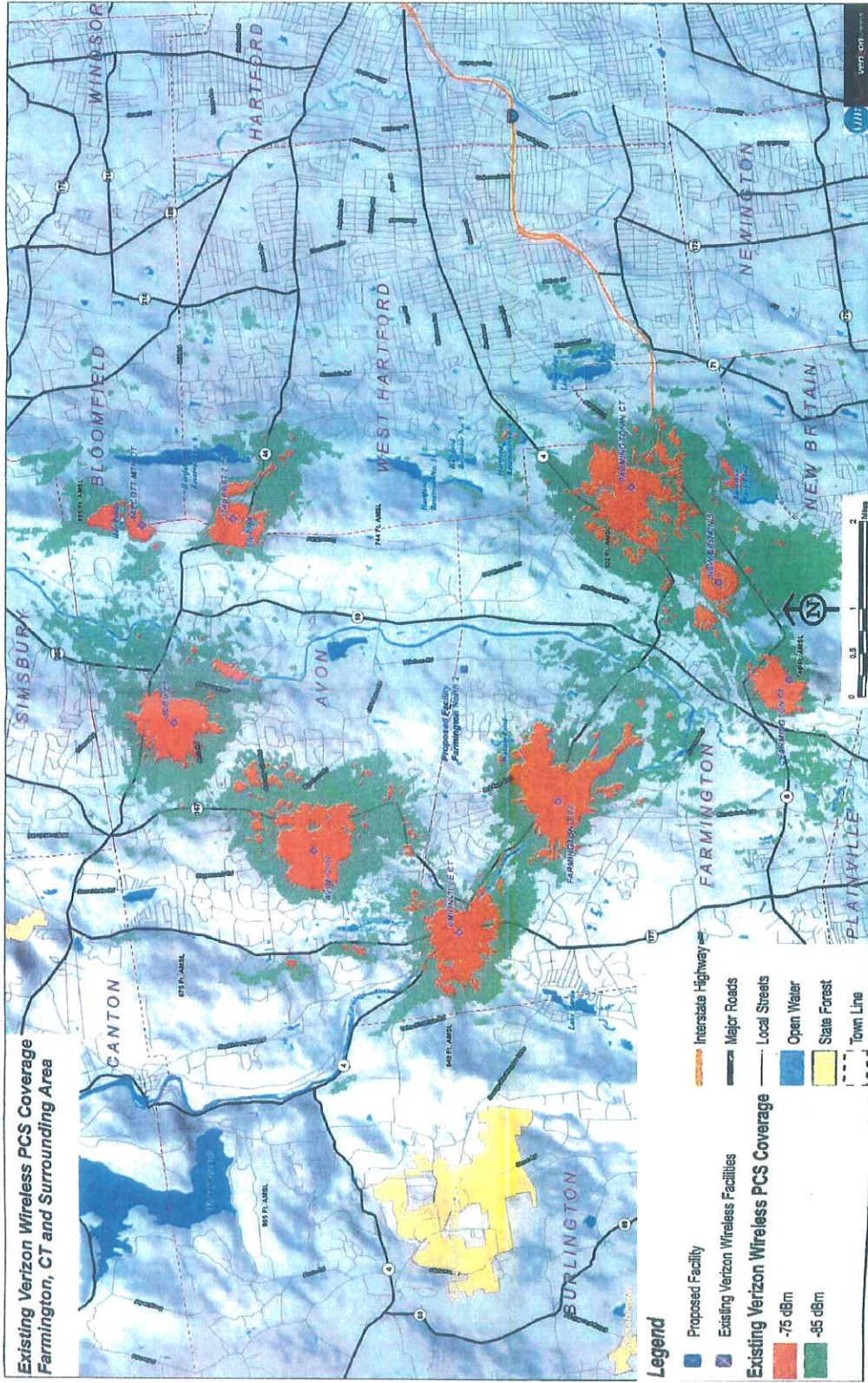
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Figure 5: Cellco's Cellular Coverage with Proposed Site



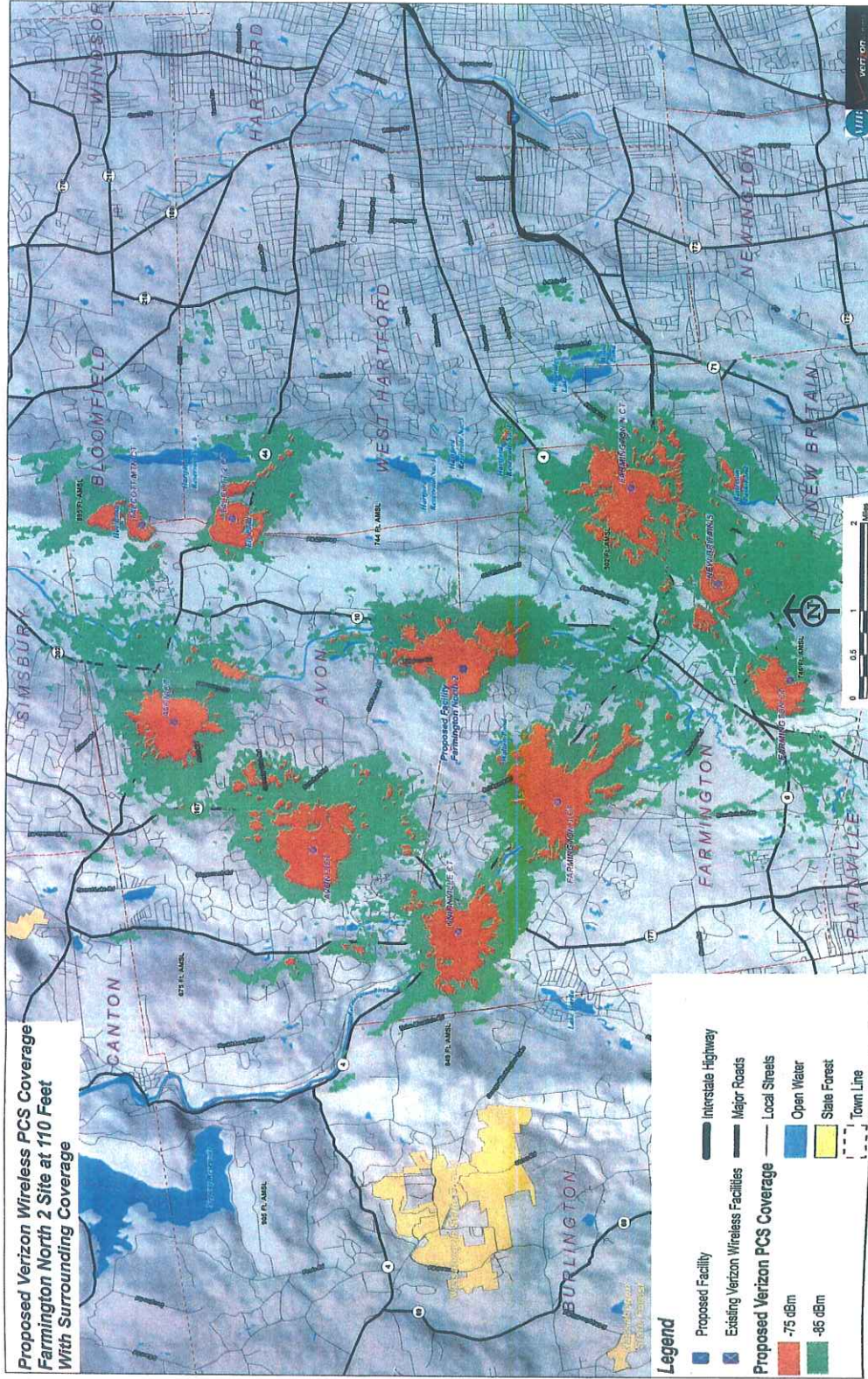
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Figure 6: Celco's Existing PCS Coverage



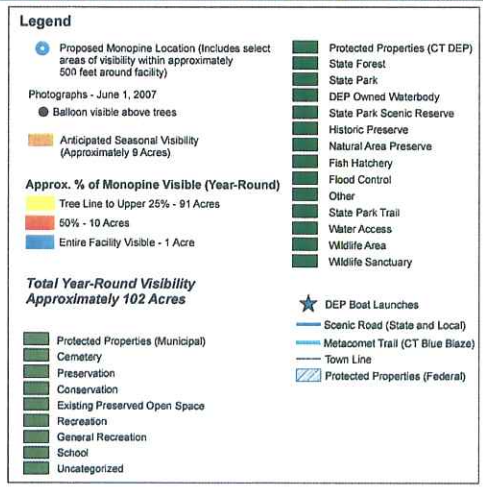
(Cellco 1, Attachment 7)

Figure 7: Cellco's PCS Coverage with Proposed Site



(Cellco I, Attachment 7)

Figure 8: Visual Analysis



(Cellco 1, Attachment 10)

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Opinion

On January 23, 2009, Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless (Cellco) applied to the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need (Certificate) for the construction, maintenance and operation of a wireless telecommunications facility to be located at 199 Town Farm Road in the Town of Farmington, Connecticut. Cellco is seeking to develop a facility on a 9.9 acre parcel owned by the Town of Farmington, which leases the property for agriculture purposes. Cellco's objective in locating a facility at this location is to provide coverage and capacity relief along Route 10 and nearby local roads in the northeasterly portion of the Town of Farmington and the southeasterly portion of the Town of Avon. In addition to Cellco, Susan Edelson and Claude Brouillard were parties in this proceeding.

Cellco would lease a 100-foot by 100-foot area on the town property. Within its lease space, it would develop a 60-foot by 60-foot compound enclosed by a chain link fence. Cellco would erect a 110-foot tall monopole tower that would be disguised as a pine tree. The branches used to give the pine tree appearance to the tower would bring the overall height of the tower to 117 feet. Vehicular access to the facility would be over a new 580-foot gravel access drive. Utilities would be extended underground from Town Farm Road along the gravel drive.

The tower's setback radius would extend slightly beyond the limits of the 9.9 acre property to the south and to the north onto other property owned by the town. The adjacent property is heavily wooded open space.

There are no wetlands near Cellco's proposed site; the nearest wetlands are located over 500 feet to the east and are associated with the flood plain of the Farmington River. Cellco would remove 12 trees with diameters at breast height of six inches or more to develop the proposed facility.

Development of the site would not affect any wetlands or watercourses, vegetation, or any rare, endangered, or special concern species. The proposed facility would have no effect on archaeological or historic resources.

Cellco's proposed tower would be visible above the tree canopy year-round from approximately 102 acres within a two-mile radius of its site. The areas of visibility would be mostly along Town Farm Road and Tillotson Road (which is the same road on the Avon side of the town line) and adjacent open areas to the east and west of the roadway corridor. The tower would be seasonally visible from an additional 9 acres within this area. Approximately four residences would have year-round views of the proposed tower. Some homes along a mountain ridge approximately a mile-and-a-half to a mile-and-three-quarters east of the site could have partial seasonal views of the proposed tower.

The visibility of the proposed tower was a notable issue in this proceeding. Many residents of the nearby Devonwood development expressed concern over the tower's visible impact on their neighborhood. The Council, however, is convinced that there would be no significant views of the tower from even the closest properties in Devonwood. Southbound travelers on Town Farm Road/Tillotson road would have unobstructed views of the tower. In order to mitigate these views, the Town of Farmington has specified in its lease that the tower must be a camouflaged structure. The Council is of a divided opinion about Cellco's plans to erect a monopine at its facility. Although the pine tree appearance can lessen the aesthetic impact of a cellphone tower, the larger bulk created by the artificial branches may actually create a larger visual presence in the landscape. The tower's location near the bottom of a heavily wooded hill, however, will help reduce the tower's visual impact by providing it with a vegetative backdrop. After some discussion on this issue, the Council accedes to the Town of Farmington's preference for a disguised tower.

Cellco has significant coverage gaps along Route 10 between its intersections with Route 44 to the north and Route 4 to the south, which is a well-traveled segment of this state highway. Cellco has provided sufficient evidence for the need of a tower in this area, and the Council concurs that this tower will fulfill the coverage needs. While Cellco's cellular frequencies will hand off calls to adjacent sites and provide contiguous coverage along the target area on Route 10, its PCS frequencies would still require sites to cover the intersections of Routes 44 and 4. Cellco recognizes this deficiency and has begun planning to address these coverage gaps.

According to a methodology prescribed by the FCC Office of Engineering and Technology Bulletin No. 65E, Edition 97-01 (August 1997), the worst-case combined radio frequency power density levels of the antennas proposed to be installed on the tower have been calculated to amount to 23.94% of the FCC's Maximum Permissible Exposure, as measured at the base of the tower. This percentage is well below federal and state standards established for the frequencies used by wireless companies. If federal or state standards change, the Council will require that the tower be brought into compliance with such standards. The Council will require that the power densities be recalculated in the event other carriers add antennas to the tower. The Telecommunications Act of 1996 prohibits any state or local agency from regulating telecommunications towers on the basis of the environmental effects of radio frequency emissions to the extent that such towers and equipment comply with FCC's regulations concerning such emissions.

Based on the record in this proceeding, the Council recognizes a need for a facility in this vicinity and finds that the effects associated with the construction, operation, and maintenance of the telecommunications facility at the proposed site, including effects on the natural environment; ecological integrity and balance; public health and safety; scenic, historic, and recreational values; forests and parks; air and water purity; and fish and wildlife are not disproportionate either alone or cumulatively with other effects when compared to need, are not in conflict with policies of the State concerning such effects, and are not sufficient reason to deny this application. Therefore, the Council will issue a Certificate for the construction, operation, and maintenance of a 110-foot monopole telecommunications facility, to be built as a pine tree with an overall height of 117 feet, at 199 Town Farm Road, Farmington, Connecticut.

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Decision and Order

Pursuant to the foregoing Findings of Fact and Opinion, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) finds that the effects associated with the construction, operation, and maintenance of a telecommunications facility, including effects on the natural environment; ecological integrity and balance; public health and safety; scenic, historic, and recreational values; forests and parks; air and water purity; and fish and wildlife are not disproportionate, either alone or cumulatively with other effects, when compared to need, are not in conflict with the policies of the State concerning such effects, and are not sufficient reason to deny the application, and therefore directs that a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need, as provided by General Statutes § 16-50k, be issued to Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless (Cellco), hereinafter referred to as the Certificate Holder, for a telecommunications facility at 199 Town Farm Road in Farmington, Connecticut.

The facility shall be constructed, operated, and maintained substantially as specified in the Council's record in this matter, and subject to the following conditions:

1. The tower shall be constructed as a monopole, disguised as a pine tree (monopine), no taller than necessary to provide the proposed telecommunications services, sufficient to accommodate the antennas of Cellco and other entities, both public and private, but such tower shall not exceed a height of 110 feet above ground level. The overall height of the monopine tower, with artificial tree limbs in place, shall not exceed 117 feet above ground level.
2. The Certificate Holder shall prepare a Development and Management (D&M) Plan for this site in compliance with Sections 16-50j-75 through 16-50j-77 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies. The D&M Plan shall be served on the Towns of Farmington and Avon for comment, and all parties and intervenors as listed in the service list, and submitted to and approved by the Council prior to the commencement of facility construction and shall include:
 - a) a final site plan(s) of site development to include specifications for the tower, tower foundation, antennas, equipment compound, radio equipment, access road, utility line, and landscaping; and
 - b) construction plans for site clearing, grading, landscaping, water drainage, and erosion and sedimentation controls consistent with the 2002 Connecticut Guidelines for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control, as amended.

3. The Certificate Holder shall, prior to the commencement of operation, provide the Council worst-case modeling of the electromagnetic radio frequency power density of all proposed entities' antennas at the closest point of uncontrolled access to the tower base, consistent with Federal Communications Commission, Office of Engineering and Technology, Bulletin No. 65, August 1997. The Certificate Holder shall ensure a recalculated report of the electromagnetic radio frequency power density be submitted to the Council if and when circumstances in operation cause a change in power density above the levels calculated and provided pursuant to this Decision and Order.
4. Upon the establishment of any new State or federal radio frequency standards applicable to frequencies of this facility, the facility granted herein shall be brought into compliance with such standards.
5. The Certificate Holder shall permit public or private entities to share space on the proposed tower for fair consideration, or shall provide any requesting entity with specific legal, technical, environmental, or economic reasons precluding such tower sharing.
6. The Certificate Holder shall provide reasonable space on the tower for no compensation for any Town of Farmington public safety services (police, fire and medical services), provided such use can be accommodated and is compatible with the structural integrity of the tower.
7. Unless otherwise approved by the Council, if the facility authorized herein is not fully constructed and providing wireless services within eighteen months from the date of the mailing of the Council's Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order (collectively called "Final Decision"), this Decision and Order shall be void, and the Certificate Holder shall dismantle the tower and remove all associated equipment or reapply for any continued or new use to the Council before any such use is made. The time between the filing and resolution of any appeals of the Council's Final Decision shall not be counted in calculating this deadline.
8. Any request for extension of the time period referred to in Condition 7 shall be filed with the Council not later than 60 days prior to the expiration date of this Certificate and shall be served on all parties and intervenors, as listed in the service list, and the Town of Farmington. Any proposed modifications to this Decision and Order shall likewise be so served.
9. If the facility ceases to provide wireless services for a period of one year, this Decision and Order shall be void, and the Certificate Holder shall dismantle the tower and remove all associated equipment or reapply for any continued or new use to the Council before any such use is made.
10. The Certificate Holder shall remove any nonfunctioning antenna, and associated antenna mounting equipment, within 60 days of the date the antenna ceased to function.
11. In accordance with Section 16-50j-77 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, the Certificate Holder shall provide the Council with written notice two weeks prior to the commencement of site construction activities. In addition, the Certificate Holder shall provide the Council with written notice of the completion of site construction and the commencement of site operation.

Pursuant to General Statutes § 16-50p, the Council hereby directs that a copy of the Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order be served on each person listed below, and notice of issuance shall be published in the Hartford Courant.

By this Decision and Order, the Council disposes of the legal rights, duties, and privileges of each party named or admitted to the proceeding in accordance with Section 16-50j-17 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

The parties and intervenors to this proceeding are:

Applicant

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Verizon Wireless

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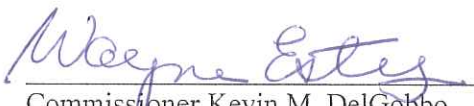
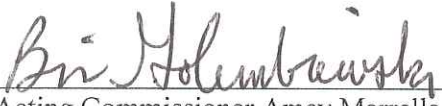
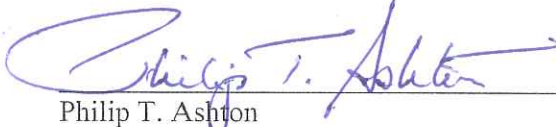
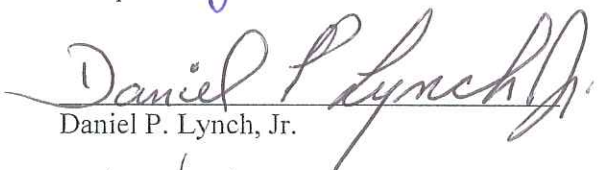


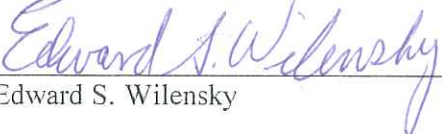
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His Representative

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CERTIFICATION

The undersigned members of the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) hereby certify that they have heard this case, or read the record thereof, in **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. and voted as follows to approve the proposed telecommunications facility located at 199 Town Farm Road, Killingly, Connecticut:

<u>Council Members</u>	<u>Vote Cast</u>
 _____ Daniel F. Caruso, Chairman	Yes
_____ Colin C. Tait, Vice Chairman	Absent
 _____ Commissioner Kevin M. DelGobbo Designee: Wayne V. Estey	Abstain
 _____ Acting Commissioner Amey Marrella Designee: Brian Golembiewski	Yes
 _____ Philip T. Ashton	Yes
 _____ Daniel P. Lynch, Jr.	Yes
 _____ James J. Murphy, Jr.	Yes
 _____ Dr. Barbara Currier Bell	Yes
 _____ Edward S. Wilensky	Yes

Dated at New Britain, Connecticut, August 13, 2009



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Sandy Carter, Regulatory Manager
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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 (Insert Name):

By its Decision and Order dated (Insert Date), the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) granted a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need (Certificate) for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 199 Town Farm Road, Farmington, Connecticut.

Enclosed are the Council's Certificate, Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order.

Very truly yours,

S. Derek Phelps
Executive Director

SDP/CDM/laf

Enclosures (4)

c: Joey Lee Miranda, Esq., Robinson & Cole LLP



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CERTIFICATE
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Pursuant to General Statutes § 16-50k, as amended, the Connecticut Siting Council hereby issues a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need to Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 199 Town Farm Road, Farmington, Connecticut.. This Certificate is issued in accordance with and subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Decision and Order of the Council on August 13, 2009.

By order of the Council,

Daniel F. Caruso, Chairman

August 13, 2009



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FROM: Lisa A. Fontaine, Fiscal Administrative Officer

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.

Please publish the attached notice as soon as possible, but not on Saturday, Sunday, or a holiday.

Please send an affidavit of publication and invoice to my attention.

Thank you.

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NOTICE

Pursuant to General Statutes § 16-50p (e), the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) announces that, on February 6, 2007, the Council issued Findings of Fact, an Opinion, and a Decision and Order approving an application from Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless 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.. This application record is available for public inspection in the Council's office, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut