# STATE OF CONNECTICUT CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

IN RE:

APPLICATION OF BAY COMMUNICATIONS,

DOCKET NO. 380

LLC FOR A CERTIFICATE OF

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY AND

PUBLIC NEED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION,

MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF A

TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITY AT 170

SOUTHEAST ROAD, NEW HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

MAY 8, 2009

# UPDATED RESPONSES OF INTERVENOR CELLCO PARTNERSHIP D/B/A VERIZON WIRELESS TO CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL PRE-HEARING INTERROGATORIES

The Connecticut Siting Council ("Council") issued pre-hearing questions to Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless ("Cellco") relating to an application by Bay Communications, LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the development of a telecommunication facility at 170 Southeast Road in New Hartford, Connecticut. The Council assigned this application Docket No. 314. Cellco intervened in Docket No. 314 and intends to install antennas on the proposed tower at the 160-foot level so that it might satisfy its coverage objectives in the southeast portion of the New Hartford. In support of its request to share the proposed facility tower, Cellco filed responses to the Docket No. 314 interrogatories on May 15, 2006. By letter dated April 23, 2009, the council asked Cellco to update its May 15, 2006 responses in the context of the current Docket No. 380 proceeding. Cellco's updated responses are provided below.

#### Question No. 1

Discuss Cellco's need for the proposed facility. Specifically, what level of coverage does Cellco currently have in this area, and in what ways would the proposed facility affect the existing level of service?

## Response

The proposed Bay Communications tower off Southeast Road would provide Cellco customers with coverage along an approximately two and one-half mile portion of Route 202, as well as significant coverage in the immediately surrounding areas of southeastern New Hartford. Coverage from the proposed tower would fill a significant Personal Communication Service ("PCS") and cellular service coverage gap between Cellco's existing Collinsville 2 cell site off Powder Ridge Road in Canton and New Hartford cell site at 20 Antolini Road in New Hartford. As of the date of this filing, Cellco maintains FCC licenses to provide cellular (850 MHz), PCS (1900 MHz) and 700 MHz wireless services throughout Litchfield County, Connecticut. Today, Cellco provides wireless service in the cellular and PCS frequency ranges from its existing adjacent cell sites known as Collinsville 2, Collinsville, Burlington West and New Hartford. Cellco can satisfy its cellular and PCS coverage gaps with antennas installed at the 160 level on the proposed Bay Communication tower.

#### Question No. 2

What are the operating frequency and the minimum signal level threshold Cellco is planning to use in the New Hartford area? Please explain how the cellular and PCS systems interact, if applicable.

## Response

Cellco's PCS antennas will operate in the 1970-1975 MHz frequency band. Cellco's cellular antennas will operate in the 850 MHz frequency band. Cellco's 700 MHz antennas will operate in the 746-757 MHz frequency band. Cellco's design threshold for all of its PCS, cellular and 700 MHz facilities is -75 dBm for in-building coverage and -85 dBm for in vehicle coverage.

#### Question No. 3

Provide Cellco's proposed antenna height, and antenna specifications, including type, make, size, model, quantity, number of channels, and maximum power output.

#### Response

### PCS Antennas

Alpha Sector – 160 ft.	Beta Sector – 160 ft.	Gamma Sector - 160 ft.
Antenna Type: BXA- 185060/12CF 2° (1)	Antenna Type: BXA- 185060/12CF 2° (1)	Antenna Type: BXA- 185060/12CF 2° (1)
Frequency: Tx: 1945-1950, 1965-1980 MHz; Rx: 1865- 1870, 1885-1900 MHz	Frequency: Tx: 1945-1950, 1965-1980 MHz; Rx: 1865- 1870, 1885-1900 MHz	Frequency: Tx: 1945-1950, 1965-1980 MHz; Rx: 1865- 1870, 1885-1900 MHz
No. Channels: 14	No. Channels: 14	No. Channels: 14
ERP/Channel: 602.97 W Max	ERP/Channel: 602.97 W Max	ERP/Channel: 602.97 W Max

# Cellular Antennas

Alpha Sector – 160 ft.	Beta Sector - 160 ft.	Gamma Sector – 160 ft.
Antenna Type: SC-E6014 Rev2 (2)	Antenna Type: SC-E6014 Rev2 (2)	Antenna Type: SC-E6014 Rev2 (2)
Frequency: Tx: 869-880,890-	Frequency: Tx: 869-880.890-	Frequency: Tx: 869-880 890-

891.5 MHz; Rx: 824-835,

891.5 MHz; Rx: 824-835,

891.5 MHz; Rx: 824-835, 845-

845-846.5 MHz

845-846.5 MHz

846.5 MHz

No. Channels: 9

No. Channels: 9

No. Channels: 9

ERP/Channel: 333.93 W Max

ERP/Channel: 333.93 W Max

ERP/Channel: 333.93 W Max

# 700 MHz Antennas

Alpha Sector – 160 ft.

Beta Sector - 160 ft.

Gamma Sector - 160 ft.

Antenna Type: BXA-

Antenna Type: BXA-

Antenna Type: BXA-

70063/6CF (1)

70063/6CF (1)

70063/6CF (1)

Frequency: Tx: 769-757

Frequency: Tx: 769-757

Frequency: Tx: 769-757 MHz;

MHz; Rx: 776-787 MHz

MHz; Rx: 776-787 MHz

Rx: 776-787 MHz

No. Channels: 1

No. Channels: 1

No. Channels: 1

ERP/Channel: 821.69 W Max

ERP/Channel: 821.69 W Max

ERP/Channel: 821.69 W Max

# Question No. 4

Provide a multi-signal level propagation plot at a scale of 1:40,000, depicting coverage from all existing and/or approved Cellco sites in the area. Provide a brief description of the existing sites including location, distance to the proposed facility, facility type, and antenna height.

#### Response

The plots showing Cellco's existing cellular and PCS coverage at a scale of 1:30,000 are included in <u>Attachment 1</u>. The 1:30,000 scale plots provide the Council with additional clarity and is the scale used for all current Council filings.

The proposed Bay Communication facility would interact with four of Cellco's adjacent cells sites. They include:

- Cellco's existing New Hartford cell site consists of antennas at the 135 foot level on the
   foot tower located at (20 Antolini Road New Hartford, CT 06057). This cell site is
   miles to the west of the proposed Bay Communication tower.
- Cellco's existing Collinsville 2 cell site consists of antennas at the 147 foot level on the 180 foot tower located at (96 Powder Mill Road Canton, CT 06022). This cell site is
   2.3 miles to the east of the proposed Bay Communication tower.
- Cellco's existing Collinsville cell site consists of antennas at the 120 foot level on the 120 foot tower located at (650 Albany Turnpike Collinsville, CT 06022). This cell site is
   2.3 miles to the east of the proposed Bay Communication tower.
- Cellco's existing Burlington West, CT cell site consists of antennas at the 99 foot level on the 120 foot tower located at (12 Nepaug Road - Burlington, CT 06013). This cell site is
   2.6 miles to the east of the proposed Bay Communication tower.

#### Question No. 5

Provide a multi-signal level propagation plot at a scale of 1:40,000, depicting coverage from the proposed site and all existing and/or approved Cellco sites in the area.

## Response

The plot showing Cellco's cellular and PCS coverage from existing and the proposed New Hartford East cell site with antennas at 160 feet AGL at a scale of 1:30,000 are included in Attachment 2. The 1:30,000 scale plots provide the Council with additional clarity and is the scale used for all current Council filings.

#### Question No. 6

Provide specifications of the equipment building or cabinets to be installed at the proposed site.

### Response

Cellco intends to install its standard 12' x 30' equipment shelter in the tower compound.

The specifications for Cellco's radio equipment and shelter are included in <a href="Attachment 3">Attachment 3</a>.

#### Question No. 7

Provide a power density analysis according to the methodology prescribed in the FCC Office of Engineering and Technology Bulletin No. 65E, Edition 97-01 (August 1997) assuming all Cellco antennas are directed at the base of the tower and all channels are operating simultaneously.

#### Response

See Attachment 4.

#### Question No. 8

What is the minimum antenna height required to meet coverage objectives? Provide an additional propagation plot(s) to demonstrate the need for this minimum height.

# Response

Consistent with the Council's findings of fact in Docket No. 314, Cellco's minimum height at the proposed Bay Communications facility is 160 feet.

# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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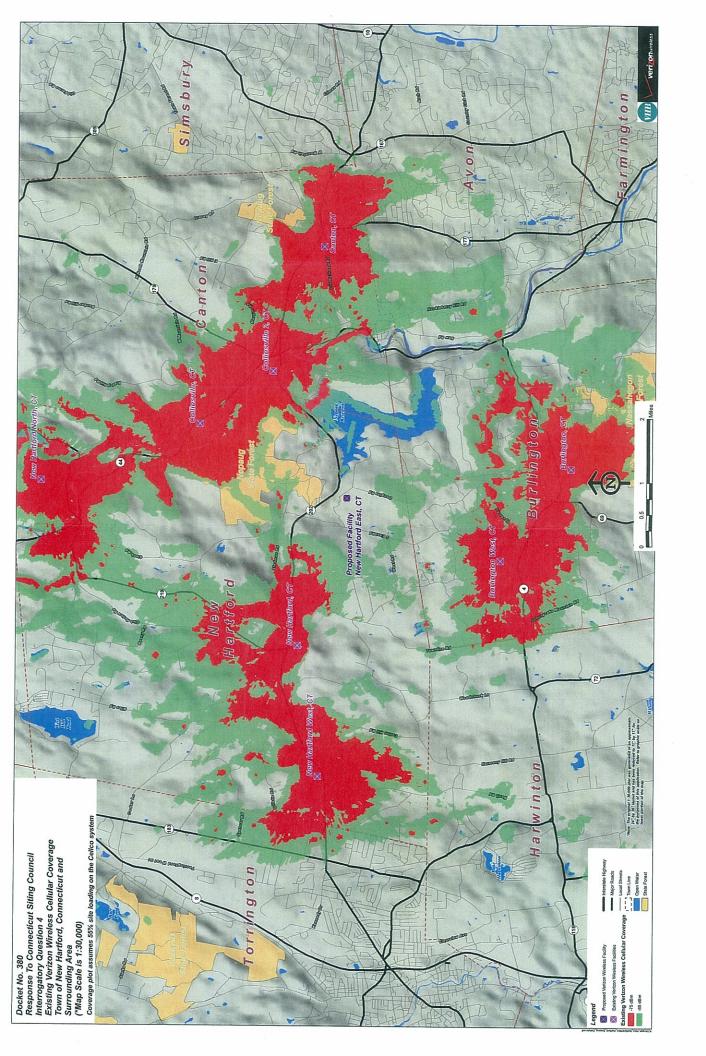
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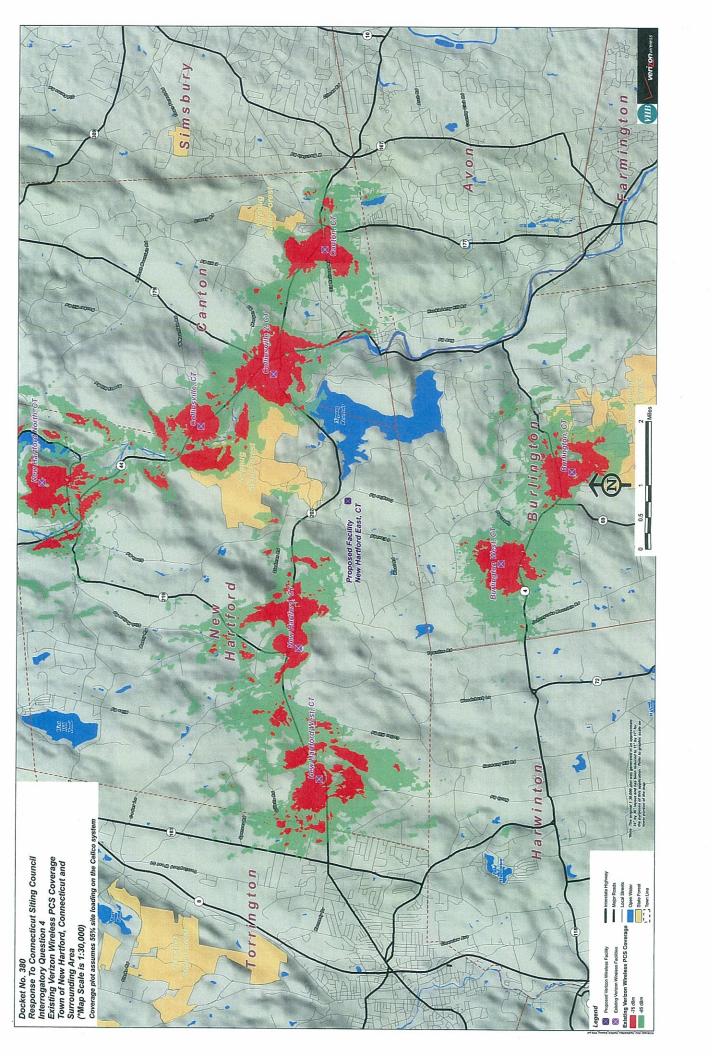
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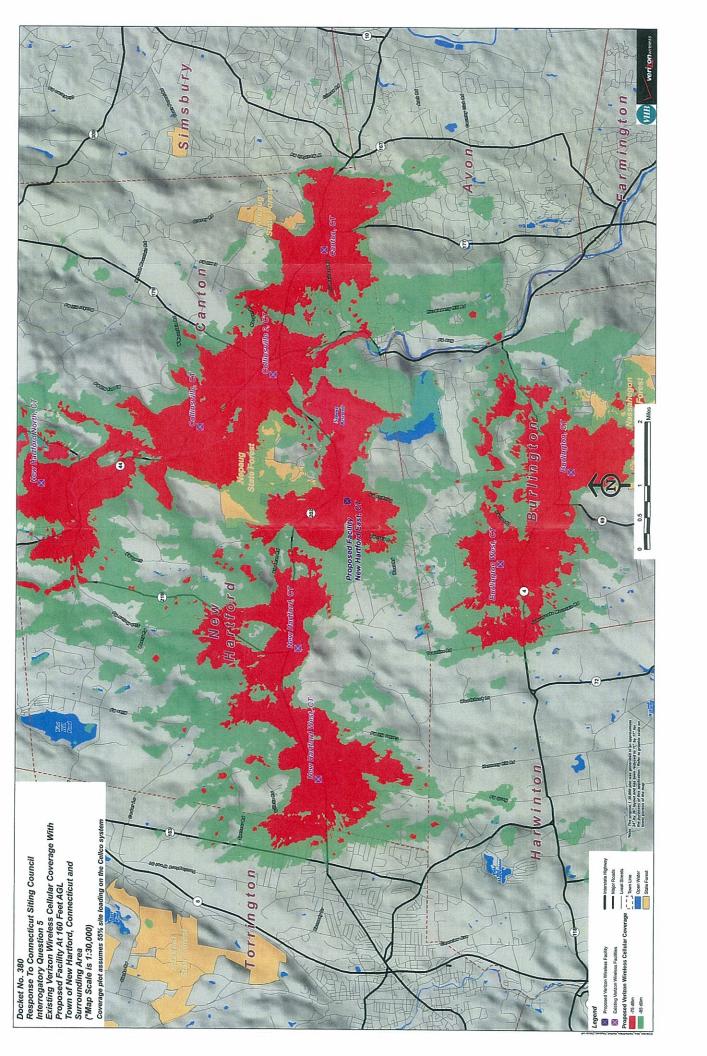
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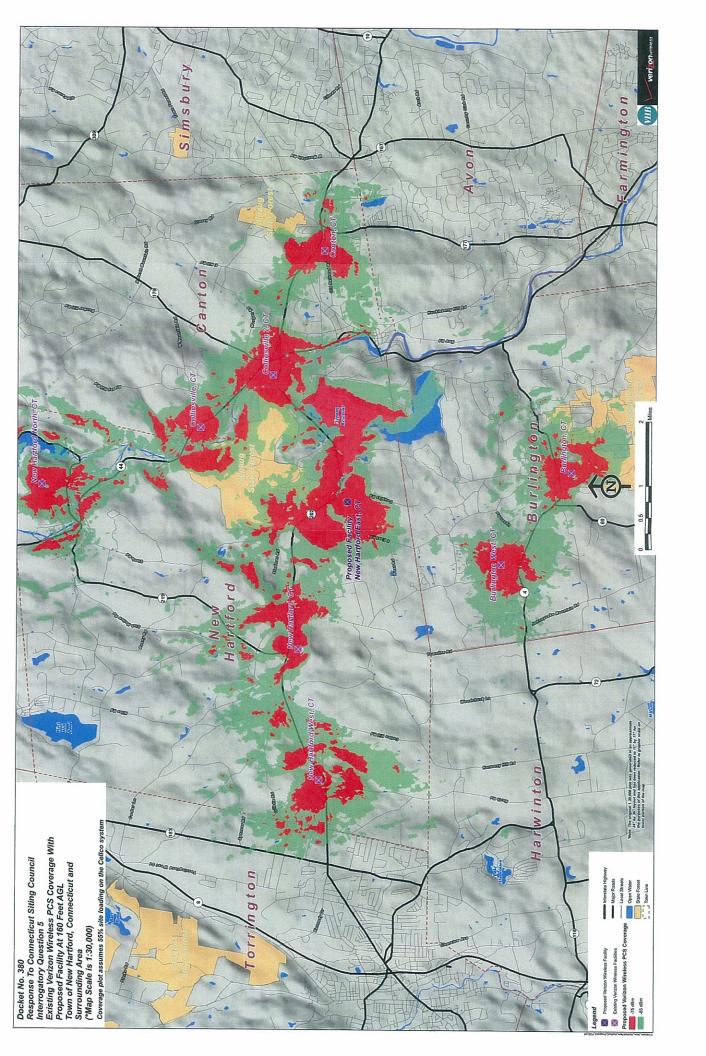
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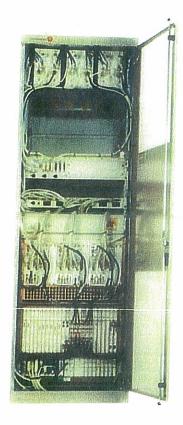








# Lucent CDMA Modular Cell 4.0B Indoor



Lucent CDMA Modular Cell 4.0B is a high capacity base station equipped with the state-of-the-art technologies developed by Bell Labs. The product brings you outstanding carrier density and immediate OPEX savings. This indoor product can support up to 8 carriers/3 sectors per frame. It is twice the density of Modular Cell 4.0 (indoor). Modular Cell 4.0B offers full spectrum coverage in a single frame, dramatically simplifying growth patterns. As the leader in spread spectrum technology, Lucent Technologies continues to introduce innovations to the market: Multi-Carrier Radio (15MHz), Block Filters/Wideband Filters, and 40W Power Amplifier Modules are the latest assets integrated in the base station.

#### Features

The Modcell 4.0B indoor version offers a small footprint with exceptional carrier density in a standard ETSI cabinet.

- Indoor Single Frame Configuration
- 1-8 carriers per frame at 3 sectors (will support up to 11 carriers with Auxiliary Amplifier Frame)
- Dual Band: one cell to the ECP & mobile
- · Close Loop Gain Control
- Timing and Controller Redundancy
- Integrated Power option
- Support CDMA2000™1X, and EV-DO Rev.0, with future support to EV-DO Rev. A
- IP Backhaul and Ethernet Backhaul capable
- 6-Sector option ready
- · Intelligent Antenna option ready

#### Benefits

- Optimized for highest carrier density, smooth growth in one frame
- Conserves indoor footprint, reducing hardware and floor space requirements
- Minimizes configuration complexity
- Software-Only Carrier Add at certain carrier counts
- Flexible channel growth planning
- · Designed to use existing power supply
- Grow CDMA carriers on only 2 antennas/sector
- Multi-Carrier Radio (15MHz), Block Filters/ Wideband Filters, and 40W Power Amplifier Modules



# Technical Specifications

#### Description

#### 1. Configurations

a. Sectors

b. Carriers

2. CDMA Channel Card Capacity

3. T1, E1 Facilities

4. User Alarms

5. GPS Antenna

6. Air Interface Standards

7. Frequency Bands

8. Vocoder

9. Environmental Cabinet Housing

10. Cabinet Access

11. Operating Temperature Range

12. Dimensions

13. Estimated Installed Weight

14. Power Options

15. Power Consumption

a. 3 Carrier/3 Sectorsb. 6 Carrier/3 Sectors

c. 11 Carrier/3 Sectors

16. RF Power (at J4)

17. Minimal Antenna Configuration

18. Filter

19. Growth Frame

20. Operational Accessories

21. Channel Elements

Specification

3, 4 and 6

1-8 per frame at 3 sectors (up to 11 with

Auxiliary Amplifier Frame)

12 slots; CMU IVB capable

Maximum of 20 per cabinet when equipped

with URC-II's

7 Power Alarms, 25 User Alarms

Yes

T1A/E1A 95-A plus TSB-74; T1A/E1A 95-B for

850 MHz; CDMA 2000

850MHz/1900 MHz;

300 to 2100 MHz capable

8 Kbps; 8 Kbps EVRC; 13 Kbps; SMV-ready

Standard ETSI cabinet; UL50 compliant;

zero rear clearance

Front Access

Range: -5 to +40°C (continuous)

600 mm W x 600 mm D x 1880 mm H

(23.6 x 23.6 x 74) inches

365 kg (785 lbs.) DC [8 carriers in one cabinet]

Integrated Power, AC 120/240 Volt Input,

-48V or +24 V DC Conversion Non-integrated Power requires either + 24 VDC Input or - 48 VDC Input

a. 3 Carrier/3 Sectors 2167 W

/3 Sectors 5449 W r/3 Sectors 10026 W

25 W per carrier (850) FCC Rated

short-term average

20 W per carrier (850) FCC Rated

long-term average

20 W per carrier (1900) FCC Rated

short-term average

16 W per carrier (1900) FCC Rated

long-term average

2 antennas/sector

Block and Wide Band Dual Duplex

PCS AUX Frame, Dual Band

Growth Frame

Integrated Power

Channel pooling across sectors or carriers

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Site Name: New Hartford E, CT Cumulative Power Density

Operator 6	Operating Frequency	Number of Trans.	ERP Per Trans.	Total ERP	Distance to Target	Calculated Maximum Power Permissabl Density Exposure*	Maximum Permissable Exposure*	Fraction of MPE
	(MHz)		(watts)	(watts)	(feet)	(mW/cm^2)	(mW/cm^2)	(%)
VZW PCS	1970	14	602.97	8441.58	160	0.1186	10	11 86%
VZW Cellular	875	6	333.93	3005.37	160	0.0422	0.583	7 24%
VZW 700	746	_	821.69	821.69	160	0.0115	0.4973	2 32%

Total Percentage of Maximum Permissible Exposure

21.42%

\*Guidelines adopted by the FCC on August 1, 1996, 47 CFR Part 1 based on NCRP Report 86, 1986 and generally on ANSI/IEEE C95.1-1992

MHz = Megahertz

mW/cm^2 = milliwatts per square centimeter

ERP = Effective Radiated Power

Absolute worst case maximum values used.