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TO: Council Members

FROM: S. Derek Phelps, Executive Director 

RE: **DOCKET NO. 395** – New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of two telecommunications facilities located off of Haywardville Road and Ed Williams Road both in the Town of East Haddam, Connecticut.

I. Introduction

The application is from New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (AT&T) for the construction, maintenance, and operation of two telecommunications facilities and associated equipment in the Town of East Haddam, Connecticut. One facility would be located off of Haywardville Road and would include a 180-foot monopole tower. The other facility would be located off of Ed Williams Road and would include a 160-foot monopole tower.

II. Technical

The application includes relevant maps, descriptions of the two proposed sites, 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 Hartford Courant.

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 Jessica Weston as custodian of the docket, holding the public hearing in the Town of East Haddam on March 4, 2010, and depositing the transcript in the East Haddam Town Hall.

V. Proposed Schedule

Application received	12/03/09
Completeness review	01/07/10
Subcommittee meeting	01/07/10
Pre-hearing Questions	
• Set-One Filed	01/13/10
• Set-One responses due	02/03/10
• Set-Two Filed	02/09/10
• Set-Two responses due	02/26/10
Pre-hearing conference (10:00 a.m.)	02/10/10
Interrogatory Exchange between Participants	02/18/10
Pre-filed testimony due	02/25/10
Deadline to request Party/Intervenor status	02/25/09
Field review (2:00 p.m.)	03/04/10
Hearing (3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.)	03/04/10
Close of Record	04/05/10
Draft Findings of Fact	04/09/10
Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion & Decision & Order	04/29/10
FCC Deadline for Decision (150 days)	05/03/10
C.G.S. Deadline for Decision (180 days)	06/01/10

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