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DATE:

July 29, 2010

TO:

Council Members

FROM:

S. Derek Phelps, Executive Direct

RE:

DOCKET NO. 403 - 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 174 South Grand Street, Suffield, Connecticut.

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 Town of Suffield, Connecticut.

II. Technical

The application includes relevant maps, descriptions of the proposed 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 § 16-50½ (b) have been fulfilled. The applicant stated that notice to the general public was published in <u>The Journal Inquirer</u>.

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 Brito-Weston as custodian of the docket, holding the public hearing in the Town of Suffield on Tuesday, September 28, 2010, and depositing the transcript in the Suffield Town Hall.



V. Proposed Schedule

Application received	07/09/10
Completeness review	
	07/29/10
Pre-hearing Questions	
Set-One Filed	07/30/10
Set-One responses due	08/25/10
Set-Two Filed	09/03/10
Set-Two responses due	09/21/10
Pre-hearing conference (10:00 a.m.)	09/09/10
Final Exchange of Interrogatories between Participants	09/14/10
Pre-filed testimony due	09/21/10
Deadline to request Party/Intervenor status	09/21/10
Field review (2:00 p.m.)	09/28/10
Hearing (3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.)	09/28/10
Close of Record	10/28/10
Draft Findings of Fact	11/05/10
Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion	12/06/10
& Decision & Order (FCC Deadline 150 days)	
Deadline for Decision (180 days)	01/05/11
180-day extension date	07/04/11

Siting Analyst: David Martin

c: Lisa Fontaine, Connecticut Siting Council