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TO: Council Members

FROM: Linda Roberts, Executive Director 

RE: **DOCKET NO. 409** - New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 8 Barnes Road, Canaan (Falls Village), Connecticut.

This completeness review is submitted in compliance with the Federal Communications Commission Declaratory Ruling that completeness of an application be determined within 30 days of receipt.

I. Introduction

The application is from New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility and associated equipment in the Falls Village section of the Town of Canaan, Connecticut. The proposed facility would provide coverage to portions of Route 7, Route 126, Route 63 and local roads in the surrounding area.

The proposed facility consists of a 150 foot monopole and associated equipment located in the northwestern portion of an approximately 25 acre parcel at 8 Barnes Road. An adjacent, approximately 50 acre parcel, is owned by the same property owners as the host site.

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 § 16-501 (b) have been fulfilled. The applicant stated that notice to the general public was published in The Register Citizen and the Lakeville Journal.