

CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

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March 29, 2011

TO:

Council Members

FROM:

Linda Roberts, Executive Director

RE:

DOCKET NO. 413 - 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 723 Leetes

Island Road, Branford, Connecticut.

Enclosed please find a copy of the Council's notice of public hearing.

LR/jbw

Enclosure (1)

c: Secretary of the State (via e-mail service)
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Application Service Recipients
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HEARING NOTICE

Pursuant to provisions of General Statutes § 16-50m and Section 16-50j-21 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, notice is hereby given that the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday, April 20, 2011, beginning at 3:00 p.m., and continued at 7:00 p.m., at the Italian-American Social Club, Hall, 40 Hamre Lane, Branford, Connecticut, and thereafter as necessary. The hearing will be on an application from Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 723 Leetes Island Road, Branford, Connecticut.

The purpose of the hearing is to hear evidence on the applicant's contentions that the public need for the facility outweighs any adverse environmental effects that would result from the construction, operation, or maintenance of a tower, ground equipment, and access road. The 3:00 p.m. hearing session will provide the applicant, parties, and intervenors an opportunity to cross-examine positions. The applicant will be allowed a final rebuttal. Briefs will be entertained after the close of the last hearing session. The 7:00 p.m. hearing session will be reserved for the public to make brief statements into the record. Cross-examination of parties and intervenors will resume, if necessary, after all statements have been heard.

The Council will conduct a public field review of the proposed site on Wednesday, April 20, 2011, beginning at 2:00 p.m. The applicant will fly a balloon during the field review to simulate the height of the proposed facility.

Applicable law for this proceeding includes the Public Utility Environmental Standards Act, General Statutes § 16-50g, et seq., and Sections 16-50j-1 through 16-50v-la of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

The Council will hold a pre-hearing conference on procedural matters on Wednesday, March 30, 2011, beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the Council's office, 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.

The Council directs that all testimony and exhibits be pre-filed with the Council and all parties and intervenors by April 13, 2011. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan, the Council requests that all filings be submitted on recyclable paper, primarily regular weight

white office paper. Please avoid using heavy stock paper, colored paper, and metal or plastic binders and separators.

Individuals are encouraged to participate through their elected officials, and other party/intervenor groupings.

Any person seeking to be named or admitted as a party or intervenor to the proceeding may file a written request to be so designated at the office of the Connecticut Siting Council, 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut 06051, on or before April 13, 2011.

Parties and intervenors will be allowed to submit briefs and proposed findings of fact within 30 days after the close of the hearing.

Any person who is not a party or intervenor to this proceeding may file a written statement with the Council up to 30 days after the close of the hearing. Such statements will become part of the record. No written statement or any other material, evidence, or other information will be accepted from any person not a party or intervenor to the proceeding after 30 days following the close of the hearing, except as otherwise prescribed by law or the Council.

A verbatim transcript of the hearing session(s) will be made and deposited with the Town Clerks' Offices in the Branford and Guilford Town Halls for the convenience of the public.

Requests for information in alternative formats or for sign-language interpreter services must be submitted in writing by April 13, 2011.

The applicant of this facility is represented by the following:

Applicant

Its Representative

Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless Kenneth C. Baldwin, Esq. Robinson & Cole LLP 280 Trumbull Street Hartford, CT 06103-3597

A copy of the application is available for review at the Council's office during office hours at 10 Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut, (860) 827-2935 or on Council website at http://www.ct.gov/csc under the link "Pending Proceedings." The Council has assigned this application docket no. 413.

LIST OF PARTIES AND INTERVENORS $\underline{\text{SERVICE LIST}}$

	Document	Status Holder	Representative
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The Connecticut Siting Council has received an application for a proposed telecommunications facility in Branford.

If you would like to participate in this proceeding, your response on or before April 13, 2011, will be appreciated. Moreover, in furtherance of the spirit of C.G.S. §16-50aa, we ask that each carrier affirmatively state whether that carrier would likely seek to be located on this proposed facility any time within the foreseeable future.

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Enclosure: Hearing Notice

c: Parties & Intervenors Council Members





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TO: Acting Commissioner Dan Esty Department of Environmental Protection

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FROM: Linda Roberts, Executive Director



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Pursuant to General Statutes § 16-50j(h), the Connecticut Siting Council hereby solicits your written comments and consultation. Your response by or before April 13, 2011 will be appreciated.

A copy of the application with location maps has previously been provided to you, pursuant to General Statutes § 16-501. You may access the application and other documents from this proceeding on our website at www.ct.gov/csc under the link "Pending Proceedings."

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