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DATE: June 9, 2011

TO: Council Members

FROM: Linda Roberts, Executive Director *LR*

RE: **DOCKET NO. 419** - 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 146 Old Colchester Road or 164 Old Colchester Road, Waterford, 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 Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility and associated equipment in the Town of Waterford, Connecticut.

Cellco's facility would be located at one of two proposed sites: a 45.9-acre parcel at 146 Old Colchester Road or a 12.84-acre parcel at 164 Old Colchester Road. A facility at 146 Old Colchester Road would include a 130-foot monopole tower. A facility at 164 Old Colchester Road would include a 150-foot monopole tower.

II. Technical

The application includes relevant maps, descriptions of the proposed prime and alternate 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 New London Day.

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 Carriann Mulcahy as custodian of the docket, holding the public hearing in the Town of Waterford on August 9, 2011, and depositing the transcript in the Waterford Town Hall. V. Proposed Schedule

Application received	05/20/11
Completeness review	06/09/11
Pre-hearing Questions	
• Set-One Filed	06/14/11
• Set-One responses due	07/08/11
• Set-Two Filed	07/11/11
• Set-Two responses due	07/26/11
Pre-hearing conference (10:00 a.m.)	07/20/11
Final Exchange of Interrogatories between Participants	07/26/11
Pre-filed testimony due	08/02/11
Deadline to request Party/Intervenor status	08/02/11
Field review (2:00 p.m.)	08/09/11
Hearing (3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.)	08/09/11
Close of Record	09/08/11
Draft Findings of Fact	09/09/11
Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion & Decision & Order (FCC Deadline 150 days)	09/30/11
Deadline for Decision (180 days)	11/16/11
180-day extension date	05/14/12

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