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RE: **DOCKET NO. 422** – North Atlantic Towers, LLC and 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 655 Bassett Road, Watertown, Connecticut.

Dear Attorneys Chiocchio and Fisher:

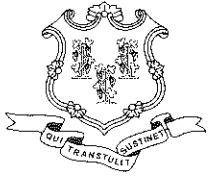
The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) requests your responses to the enclosed questions no later than September 21, 2011. To help expedite the Council's review, please file individual responses as soon as they are available.

Please forward an original and 20 copies to this office. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan, the Council is requesting 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. Fewer copies of bulk material may be provided as appropriate.

Yours very truly,

Linda Roberts
Executive Director

c: Council Members
Michele Briggs, AT&T
John S. Stevens, North Atlantic Towers



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Docket 422: North Atlantic Towers and New Cingular Wireless Watertown, Connecticut Pre-Hearing Interrogatories, Set One

For North Atlantic Towers

1. What is the relationship between North Atlantic Towers and Florida Tower Partners?
2. Of the letters sent to abutting property owners, how many certified mail receipts did North Atlantic Towers receive? If any receipts were not returned, which owners did not receive their notice? Did North Atlantic Towers make additional attempts to contact those property owners?
3. When was the search ring for this site established? Where was the approximate center of the search ring? What was the approximate diameter of the search ring? Who took the lead in the site search: North Atlantic Towers or AT&T?
4. How did North Atlantic Towers become aware of the need for a facility in this area?
5. Has North Atlantic Towers received any indication that the Town of Watertown would be interested in placing antennas on the proposed tower?
6. Quantify the amounts of cut and fill that would be required to develop the proposed facility.
7. Would any blasting be required for this site?
8. How many residences are within 1,000 feet of the proposed site?
9. What is the distance to the nearest residence? What is the address of this property? Who owns this property?
10. Would the proposed facility comply with recommended guidelines of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service for minimizing the potential for telecommunications towers to impact bird species?
11. Would the proposed facility impact an Important Bird Area identified by the Audubon Society?
12. From how many acres would any portions of the proposed tower be visible during leaf-on conditions?

For AT&T

13. What are the frequencies AT&T is licensed to use in the area covered from the proposed facility?
14. Identify the adjacent sites with which the proposed facility would hand off signals. Include addresses of these sites.
15. What is the signal strength for which AT&T designs its system? For in-vehicle coverage? For in-building coverage? Does this signal strength differ according the different frequencies AT&T is licensed to use?
16. What is the existing signal strength in those areas AT&T is seeking to cover from this facility? At what frequencies?
17. Does AT&T have any statistics on dropped calls in the vicinity of the proposed facility? If so, what do they indicate? Does AT&T have any other indicators of substandard service in this area?
18. What are the respective lengths of the existing coverage gaps on the state routes and local roads identified in the application: Route 63, Bassett Road, Hidden Pond Road, Gilbert Road, Gibson Road, Linkfield Road, Franson Road, Plungis Road, Munson Road, Smith Pond Road, Bryant Road, Route 109 in Thomaston? At which frequencies?
19. What are the respective distances AT&T would be able to cover on the above listed roads at its different frequencies?
20. What are the total areas that AT&T would be able to cover from the proposed facility at its different frequencies?
21. What is the lowest feasible height at which AT&T's antennas could fulfill the coverage objectives from this proposed facility?
22. Provide a propagation map, at the same scale as those provided in the application, showing the coverage possible at ten feet below the height identified in the previous question.
23. Describe any spill containment measures associated with the fuel tank for the diesel generator to be used at this facility.
24. Would AT&T need an Air Permit for its diesel generator?
25. How would utilities be brought to the facility: above ground or underground?

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