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May 17, 2012

TO: Parties and Intervenors

RE: **DOCKET NO. 427** – 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 one of two sites: 171 Short Beach Road, Branford, or 82 Short Beach Road, East Haven, Connecticut.

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) will hold a pre-hearing conference on procedural matters on Thursday, May 31, 2012, in the Council's office, at Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut, beginning at 11:00 a.m. All parties and intervenors are requested to attend. The purpose of this pre-hearing conference is to expedite the hearing procedure without sacrificing an informative record necessary for the Council to render a decision.

At the conference, parties and intervenors will be encouraged to discuss requirements for pre-filed testimony, exhibit lists, administrative notice lists, expected witness lists, and the filing of pre-hearing interrogatories. To save the time and expense of the public, the Council wishes to avoid direct testimony at the hearing.

Each party and intervenor is requested to provide all other parties and intervenors in attendance a list of witnesses and the subjects their pre-filed testimony will address, a list of documents to be administratively noticed, and copies of any available exhibits to be offered at the hearing. The pre-hearing conference will also address the grouping of parties and intervenors and the order of presentations at the hearing.

Very truly yours,

Linda Roberts
Executive Director

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Enclosures

1. Hearing Notice
2. Service List

LIST OF PARTIES AND INTERVENORS
SERVICE LIST

Status Granted	Document Service	Status Holder (name, address & phone number)	Representative (name, address & phone number)
Applicant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> U.S. Mail	North Atlantic Towers, LLC and New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC	<p>Lucia Chiocchio, Esq. Christopher B. Fisher, Esq. Cuddy & Feder LLP 445 Hamilton Avenue, 14th Floor White Plains, NY 10601 (914) 761-1300 (914) 761-5372 fax cfisher@cuddyfeder.com lchiocchio@cuddyfeder.com</p> <p>Randy Howse North Atlantic Towers, LLC 1001 3rd Ave. West., Suite 420 Bradenton, FL 34250</p> <p>Michele Briggs AT&T 500 Enterprise Drive Rocky Hill, CT 06067-3900 michele.g.briggs@cingular.com</p>
Intervenor <i>(approved on May 10, 2012)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> U.S. Mail	Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless	Kenneth C. Baldwin, Esq. Robinson & Cole LLP 280 Trumbull Street Hartford, CT 06103-3597 (860) 275-8345 Kbaldwin@rc.com
Intervenor <i>(approved on May 10, 2012)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> U.S. Mail	Sarah Pierson 63 Hilton Avenue East Haven, CT 06512 203-215-6635 Sarahpierson@att.net	



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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 July 10, 2012, beginning at 3:00 p.m., and continued at 7:00 p.m., at the East Haven Senior Center, Main Room, 91 Taylor Avenue, East Haven, Connecticut, and thereafter as necessary. The hearing will be on an application from North Atlantic Towers, LLC and New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at one of two sites: 171 Short Beach Road, Branford, or 82 Short Beach Road, East Haven, 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 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 July 10, 2012, beginning at 2:00 p.m. The applicant will fly a balloon at each site during the field review to simulate the height of the proposed facilities, weather permitting.

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-1a of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

The Council will hold a pre-hearing conference on procedural matters on May 31, 2012, 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 July 3, 2012. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan, the Council requests that all filings be submitted on recyclable 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 July 3, 2012.

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 Clerk's Office's of the Branford and East Haven Town Hall for the convenience of the public.

Requests for information in alternative formats or for sign-language interpreter services must be submitted in writing by July 3, 2012.

The applicant of this facility is represented by the following:

Applicant

North Atlantic Towers, LLC and
New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC

Its Representative

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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. 427.

May 11, 2012

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