STATE OF CONNECTICUT CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

IN RE:

APPLICATION OF NEW CINGULAR WIRELESS PCS, LLC (AT&T) FOR A CERTIFICATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY AND PUBLIC NEED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF A TELECOMMUNICATIONS TOWER FACILITY IN ROXBURY, CONNECTICUT

DOCKET NO. 428

September 11, 2012

RESPONSES TO CSC PRE-HEARING QUESTIONS SET TWO

- Q1. Would the electrical installation at the site be consistent with the National Electrical Code?
- A1. Yes. Either Candidate site would be consistent with the National Electrical Code.
- Q2. Provide a Natural Diversity Database Map (similar to Tab D for the Application) with both tower site locations depicted on the map.
- A2. Please see annotated map included as Attachment A.
- Q3. In its response to question three of the Council's interrogatories, AT&T states that the original search area (i.e. search ring) was approximately two miles in diameter. Did the search ring remain two miles in diameter or was it later increased to find a suitable site?
- A3. While the original search ring was two miles, sites beyond the ring were explored as part of a comprehensive search.

Site A: Tax Assessor Parcel ID #32-008, off Route 67

- Q4. What would be the consequences of reducing the height of tower by ten feet in terms of handoff and/or coverage?
- A4. While overall coverage footprints are relatively similar, gaps in coverage evident even at the proposed height would have even weaker service and the lower height can increase the weakness of a given area.
- Q5. On page 14 of the application, it states that, "An onsite wetland is approximately 295' from the proposed compound." Provide the correct distance.
- A5. The correct distance as provided in Attachment 3(A) is 97' from flag 7 to limit of nearest grading for the compound.
- Q6. Provide photo-simulations of the proposed tower as viewed from the cul-de-sac at Bronson Mountain Road, in the vicinity of Lots 1 and 2. (For reference, photo simulation no. 9 shows lot 3)

- A6. A photo from this view is not yet available. Photos for the requested simulation will be taken of the balloon float on the day of the hearing or subsequently if the weather is not conducive on September 18, 2012.
- Q7. Provide a photo simulation of the proposed tower from Transylvania Pond.
- A7. A photo from this view is not yet available. Photos for the requested simulation will be taken of the balloon float on the day of the hearing or subsequently if the weather is not conducive on September 18, 2012.

Site B: 126 Transylvania Road Questions

- Q8. What would be the consequences of reducing the height of tower by ten feet in terms of handoff and/or coverage?
- A8. While overall coverage footprints are relatively similar, gaps in coverage evident even at the proposed height would have even weaker service and the lower height can increase the weakness of a given area.
- Q9. How many trees with a diameter breast height of six inches or greater would be removed to construct the facility access road at this site?
- A9. A total of 68 trees with a diameter breast height of six inches or greater would be removed to construct the facility access drive at this site.
- Q10. Provide a photo-simulation of the proposed tower as viewed from Highmeadow Lane.
- A10. A photo from this view is not yet available. Photos for the requested simulation will be taken of the balloon float on the day of the hearing or subsequently if the weather is not conducive on September 18, 2012.

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ATTACHMENT A

