## Town of Colebrook

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**Connecticut Siting Council** 

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Listed below are concerns that have come up since the meeting of the Siting Council on November 7, 2013.

In regard to the Generators;

- How much power, when needed is required to run one carrier?
- How large a generator is needed for one carrier?
- Could the first carrier be required to supply generation enough to run a second carrier?
- As more carriers come on line the cost for one carrier could be spread among them so as not to have three or four separate generators running.
- The same could be said with maintenance, with one generator they all would have a "vested interest" (page 183), if the generator was down for one it would be down for all.

Regarding the alternate "Red" route, while it does succeed in keeping out of all wetlands, thereby eliminating involvement with the Army Corps of Engineers, two concerns that come up are the unknown amount of cut and fill and the percentage of slope. The Town of Colebrook currently has a driveway ordinance in place which reads in part, "to accommodate the needs of the Town's emergency service vehicles when responding to incidents on private property and to provide a set of standards for all driveways to protect the health, safety and welfare of the Town's residents and the motoring public." If these standards are not met, where does the Town's responsibility end?

The Selectman's office, having a concern that the driveway is almost entirely on the North side of the property, would like to see a snow removal and maintenance program in place. Due to recent storms if the driveway is not maintained after each storm there could be serious difficulty to get vehicles, such as

fuel vehicles in to refuel generators. This issue is of great concern to the town of Colebrook. In regards to which driveway to approve, the town would prefer the alternate access route (red line). The town would be opposed to the alternate 2 access route (green line) because that driveway is on the Campbell property line and Campbells have great concerns.

The clearing for the facility, based on scaling by Mr. Vivian could be 60' or less from the Campbell property to the South. Based on the proximity to the property line could a row of Evergreens be planted as a privacy buffer?

Lastly, the Town would like the tower to look like a tree to prevent any view of the structure from the town's Historic Center of Colebrook.

Sincerely,

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First Selectman

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