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November 15, 2013

VIA FEDEX OVERNIGHT

Mayor Michael Pavia
City of Stamford
Stamford Government Center
888 Washington Boulevard
Stamford, CT 06901

Re: New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (AT&T)
Proposed Wireless Telecommunications Tower Facility
560 West Hill Road, Stamford, Connecticut

Dear Mayor Pavia:

We are writing to you on behalf of New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC ("AT&T") with respect to a proposed wireless telecommunications tower facility to be located at 560 West Hill Road, Stamford, Connecticut. The purpose of our letter is to commence a formal consultation process with City officials in accordance with Section 16-507 of the Connecticut General Statutes, prior to any application being filed by AT&T with the State Siting Council. Enclosed you will find a detailed Technical Report which includes information on the need for the proposed tower and the environmental effects of the project as identified at this time. A copy of the technical report has also been provided to other City agencies as required by state statute, and we have included Mr. Norman Cole, Chief of the Land Use Bureau on the distribution list as our past experience in Stamford has been that the Mayor's office delegates review of potential wireless tower siting matters to his office to coordinate on behalf of the City. To assist in the City's review of the project and consultation, our letter outlines some of the salient facts and procedural steps available to the City.

Background

Most all major wireless carriers lack reliable wireless services in the Westover and Roxbury area of Stamford which is fundamentally due to the absence of any existing tower infrastructure in that part of the community. Over the course of the past several years, wireless carriers have explored various siting options in Stamford and adjacent areas of Greenwich. AT&T in fact consulted with the City's Parks Commission in 2009 to explore a tower site option at Fort Stamford. The property's listing on the National Register of Historic Places led both AT&T and the City to explore other locations for service to be provided to residents and this part of the City.

Community Need for a Tower in Westover/Roxbury & Other Areas of Stamford

AT&T's wireless network in the City of Stamford is currently served by numerous sites that have largely been developed over the past twenty years in downtown, along I-95 and the Merritt Parkway and other north/south commuting corridors. AT&T's statistics show that signal levels that are reliable for use in homes, vehicles and around the city currently only serve about a third of the City's land mass and population. These gaps in reliable wireless coverage are notable for a community like Stamford with a large population and AT&T has planned for several new wireless facility sites in Stamford to address coverage deficiencies and capacity constraints in its network. Coverage deficiencies are particularly evident in neighborhoods like Westover and Roxbury and Stamford's own experiences during three major storms in the past year and a half, with days of power outages and the lack of any communications

services have highlighted the threats to public health and safety that exist due to the lack of reliable wireless services. Of note over 70% of all 911 calls in the U.S. are made from a wireless phone.

The Tower Project

AT&T's search for wireless site locations in the Westover and Roxbury area of the City have been conducted over a period of several years, encompassed a large geographic area and included properties just over the border in Greenwich. Larger parcels of property with land uses such as swim clubs, cemeteries, water company land, parks and open space have all been evaluated by AT&T in this area of Stamford and are unavailable for siting for one reason or another. As such, AT&T evaluated residential parcels where a tower might be constructed at the lowest practical height possible to minimize visibility and impacts to the neighborhood. The proposed site located at 560 West Hill Road met AT&T's criteria and objectives in that it is adjacent to a cemetery and at a relative AMSL to the surrounding, which would balance technical requirements with overall community visibility.

The project as currently proposed would consist of a 120' monopole structure designed to mimic an evergreen tree and be located within a screened and fenced compound. The tower and fenced area are further designed to support the antennas and equipment of the other major FCC licensed wireless carriers. Access and utilities to the facility would largely be over existing roads and driveways. The facility would be unmanned with no sanitary or water facilities and generates on average 1 vehicle trip per month by each wireless carrier consisting of a service technician in a light duty van or truck.

State Considerations – Balance Need for a Tower with Environmental Effects

Connecticut State policy generally recognizes the need for new towers to serve the public and has designated the State Siting Council as the state agency with responsibility for reviewing specific tower proposals. The Siting Council's focus is on balancing the need for a tower on a case by case basis with any significant adverse environmental effects. In this regard we note for the City the following initial findings by the project sponsors as set forth more fully in the enclosed Technical Report:

- This tower site will bring new reliable AT&T wireless service to 4,700 residents of Stamford and provide service along several local roads and at places in the community frequented by the public (such as the Roxbury Swim Club).
- Environmental effects principally involve localized visibility of the top of the tower structure from a few residences and other properties within a quarter mile of the facility which are depicted in the visibility analysis included in the Technical Report.
- On-site management and other mitigation are required during and after construction due to the proximity of on-site wetlands to the project site.
- At this time, there are no known alternative tower sites that would meet technical requirements and/or are available for lease or acquisition for construction of a tower site.

The Siting Council will be called upon to evaluate all of these factors once an application is filed with the agency and based on the facts, it is the project sponsors' belief that the need for a new tower to serve the community is evident and that no matter where located in this area of Stamford, there will be some visibility of the structure, but no significant visual impacts on the overall neighborhoods of Westover and Roxbury.

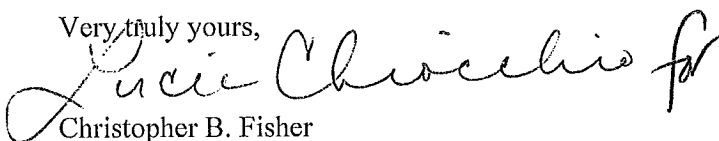
Stamford City Input & Procedural Next Steps

We are providing the enclosed Technical Report to the City of Stamford in accordance with Section 16-50l of the Connecticut General Statutes, which requires consultation with a municipality in which a tower facility is proposed prior to submission of an application with the Siting Council. Jurisdiction over any proposed cellular tower facility rests exclusively with the Siting Council and would be in lieu of local zoning, wetlands and other types of municipal land use review and approvals. As such, the purpose of local consultation is to give the municipality in which a facility has been proposed an opportunity to provide the prospective applicant with any recommendations, alternatives or preferences it may have prior to the filing of an application with the Siting Council.

At this time, we would like to coordinate with Mr. Cole on the potential for hosting a community meeting in furtherance of Section 16-50l(g) of the Connecticut General Statutes which gives municipalities the option of conducting a noticed public information session on any proposed cellular tower facility. State law requires any such public information session to be held by the City during the first sixty days of the ninety day period afforded to municipalities for consultation with a prospective Siting Council applicant. As such, should you elect to conduct a public information meeting regarding this project, it would need to occur sometime prior to January 15, 2014. For such public information sessions, our typical practice is for introductions to be made by a municipal official, have the project team make a presentation (usually powerpoint) and then respond to public questions moderated by a city official or agency.

In advance, we thank you for your consideration and will follow this correspondence with a call to your office to discuss next steps in greater detail and who you may want to designate in the City in administering the consultation process on behalf of the City. In this regard, we understand that the City Administration is currently in transition and is partly the reason for suggesting Mr. Cole be such a designee by your office. We look forward to meeting with the City further on this project and learning more about Stamford's interests, concerns and any recommendations prior to filing an application with the State Siting Council.

Very truly yours,



Christopher B. Fisher

Enclosures

cc: Planning Commission, City of Stamford
Zoning Commission, City of Stamford
Environmental Protection Board, City of Stamford (Conservation Commission and Wetlands Commission)
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Norman Cole, AICP, Land Use Bureau Chief
Ted Jankowski, Director of Public Safety, Health and Welfare, City of Stamford

December 18, 2013

VIA EMAIL AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

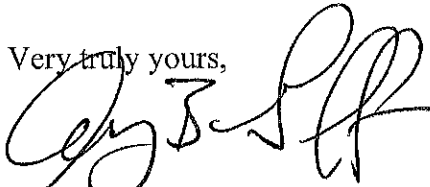
Norman F. Cole, AICP
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Stamford, Connecticut 06901

Re: New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC

Dear Norman:

We are writing to you on behalf of New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC ("AT&T") and as a follow up to the messages left for you. As you are aware, AT&T is pursuing several new facility locations in the City of Stamford to improve its network reliability and the public safety and economic benefits wireless services bring to communities. On behalf of AT&T, we'd like to meet with you to discuss AT&T's development plans for 2014, areas where AT&T might collaborate with the City and to otherwise obtain your planning perspective on further AT&T network deployments in Stamford. Thank you for your consideration and assistance and we look forward to meeting with you.

Very truly yours,



Anthony B. Gioffre III

cc: Christopher B. Fisher, Esq.

December 20, 2013

VIA FEDEX OVERNIGHT

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Dear Mr. Pollard:

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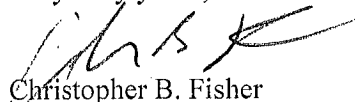
A little over a month ago, AT&T commenced a formal consultation process with City officials in accordance with Section 16-507 of the Connecticut General Statutes, prior to any application being filed by AT&T with the State Siting Council. A copy of our November 15th correspondence to former Mayor Pavia is enclosed for your convenience along with another copy of the technical report. The technical report includes information on the need for the proposed tower and the environmental effects of the project and was previously provided to other City agencies as required by state statute and Mr. Norman Cole, Chief of the Land Use Bureau.

Since the time of our letter, our office has contacted the Land Use Bureau and AT&T's representatives have been in contact with Mr. Jankowski, the City Director of Public Health, Safety & Welfare in an effort to discuss this project. AT&T is also interested in discussing several other AT&T wireless facilities proposed for development in 2014 and in furtherance of providing reliable wireless services in Stamford. We understand from Mr. Carey that a meeting is being scheduled for shortly after the new year to discuss this and other AT&T projects with City officials.

In the interim, AT&T would be pleased to conduct a public information meeting on this specific tower project as permitted under state statute and we would simply need to coordinate with the City on hosting it at the Government Center. Additionally, if City agencies have any comments or recommendations regarding this proposed tower project in the Westover and Roxbury areas, they can be forwarded to our attention. AT&T will endeavor to address any such comments and recommendations prior to filing a formal application with the State Siting Council.

Thank you for your consideration and assistance and we look forward to meeting with you.

Very truly yours,



Christopher B. Fisher
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February 12, 2014

VIA FIRST CLASS MAIL

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Re: New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (AT&T)
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Dear Mr. Pollard:

We are writing to you on behalf of New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC ("AT&T") in furtherance of a meeting on January 23, 2014 with City officials and AT&T representatives. AT&T very much appreciated the opportunity to discuss its existing wireless network in Stamford and share with you and your colleagues its plans.

AT&T currently has eight distinct search areas in the City where it has planned for development of additional wireless facility infrastructure to reliably serve the public. As Mr. Harry Carey from AT&T noted on the 23rd, AT&T is committed to using several rooftops, water tanks and other existing structures, such as the municipal communications tower at Sterling Farms Golf Course, in building out its network to serve Stamford's residents.

To the extent possible, new at grade tower construction is being limited to those areas of the City where there are no existing towers or structures of significant height above the tree line. These areas of the City are principally large geographic expanses with residences in North Stamford and the Westover/Roxbury area where there is unreliable service and a combination of population density, schools, commute corridors and other public parks and recreational facilities requiring improved wireless services.

As we discussed, one of AT&T's projects involves a new tower facility to be located on a residential parcel of property at 560 West Hill Road, Stamford, Connecticut. This particular search area has proven most challenging to find a suitable location for a new facility for the provision of wireless services to the public. As noted in AT&T's technical report filed with the City in November 2013, the search area dates back to at least 2009 and AT&T has explored various areas of the City and neighboring Greenwich for site locations. Properties evaluated include among others -- Fort Stamford Park, Aquarion Water Company lands, the Roxbury Swim Club, properties dedicated to religious land uses and other sites in the Westover/Roxbury area of Stamford.

AT&T is proposing to construct a tower facility on a residential parcel adjacent to a cemetery. The tower is proposed at 120' in height and has been designed as a monopine to reduce impacts on the surrounding neighborhood. It is my understanding from discussions with Mr. Carey of AT&T, that the City has no specific comments on the AT&T project at 560 West Hill Road.

Please note that in the coming weeks, AT&T will be notifying abutting property owners and the public through newspaper notices of its intent to file an application with the Siting Council, an application which will most likely be filed by the end of this month. AT&T is also planning to invite abutting property owners to a community meeting as requested by the City to discuss the project. Ultimately, the Siting Council process will include a public hearing in Stamford at a date to be determined and later this year.

If for any reason you or other City officials wish to contact us or Mr. Carey to discuss this project in greater detail, please feel free to do so. We thank you for your consideration and assistance on this and AT&T's other projects in Stamford.

Very truly yours,



Christopher B. Fisher

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