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April 17, 2015

TO: Parties & Intervenors

FROM: Melanie Bachman, Acting Executive Director *LAB*

RE: **DOCKET NO. 458** – Florida Tower Partners LLC d/b/a North Atlantic Towers
Application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for
the construction, maintenance, and operation, of a telecommunications facility at
one of two locations at Bethel Tax Assessor's Map 65, Block 57, Lot 122, 62-64
Codfish Hill Road, Bethel, Connecticut.

Enclosed please find a copy of the Council's notice of public hearing for the above-referenced matter.

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c: Secretary of the State (via e-mail service)
Council Members
Application Service Recipients
United Reporters
Joseph Reese, Tech Theatrical Services



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HEARING NOTICE

Pursuant to provisions of Connecticut 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 Tuesday, June 2, 2015, beginning at 3:00 p.m., and continued at 7:00 p.m., at the Bethel Town Hall, General Purpose Room, 1 School Street, Bethel, Connecticut, and thereafter as necessary. The hearing will be on an application from Florida Tower Partners LLC d/b/a North Atlantic Towers for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation, of a telecommunications facility at one of two locations at 62-64 Codfish Hill Road, Bethel, 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, maintenance, and operation 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 sites on Tuesday, June 2, 2015, beginning at 2:00 p.m. The applicant will fly balloons 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, et seq., of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

The Council directs that all testimony and exhibits be pre-filed with the Council and all parties and intervenors by May 26, 2015. 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 May 26, 2015.

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 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 of the Bethel 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 May 26, 2015.

The applicant is represented by the following:

Applicant

Its Representative

Florida Tower Partners LLC d/b/a North
Atlantic Towers

Julie D. Kohler, Esq.
Cohen and Wolf, P.C.
1115 Broad Street
Bridgeport, CT 06604

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 the Council website at <http://www.ct.gov/csc> under the link "Pending Proceedings." The Council has assigned this application Docket No. 458.

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The Honorable Matthew Knickerbocker
First Selectman
Town of Bethel
1 School Street
Bethel, CT 06801

RE: **Hearing Date** - June 2, 2015 in connection with **DOCKET NO. 458** - Florida Tower Partners LLC d/b/a North Atlantic Towers Application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation, of a telecommunications facility at one of two locations at Bethel Tax Assessor's Map 65, Block 57, Lot 122, 62-64 Codfish Hill Road, Bethel, Connecticut.

Dear First Selectman Knickerbocker:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) has scheduled a public hearing in your municipality in connection with the above-referenced application. Pursuant to C.G.S. §16-50m, at least one hearing session shall be held at a location selected by the Council in the county in which the facility or any part thereof is to be located after 6:30 PM for the convenience of the general public. Accordingly, I am extending to you my personal invitation to participate in the public hearing that is scheduled on June 2, 2015.

After an application is filed with the Council, a public inspection of the proposed sites and at least one public hearing are held in the host municipality to hear concerns from residents. The municipality's participation at the public hearing may take many forms. Municipal officials may request Party or Intervenor Status to actively participate in the evidentiary portion of the public hearing, present oral statements to the Council during the public comment session of the public hearing or submit written statements to the Council at any time before, during or within 30 days after the close of the public hearing.

Our staff is available to assist you in understanding our process and your options. In the event that you have legal questions, please contact our Staff Attorney Melanie Bachman at (860) 827-2951.

The Council weighs many issues before rendering its decisions. We encourage you to take part in our public hearing process.

Sincerely,

Robert Stein
Chairman

RS/RDM/cm



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TO: Commissioner Robert Klee
Dept. of Energy & Environmental Protection

Commissioner Steven Reviczky
Department of Agriculture

Commissioner Jewel Mullen
Department of Public Health

Karl Wagener, Executive Director
Council on Environmental Quality

Chairman Arthur House
Public Utilities Regulatory Authority

Benjamin Barnes, Secretary
Office of Policy and Management

Commissioner Catherine Smith
Department of Economic and
Community Development

Thomas A. Harley, P.E., Chief Engineer
Bureau of Engineering and Construction
Department of Transportation

Robert Bruno, Director of Planning,
Engineering & Environmental
Connecticut Airport Authority

Kevin Dillon, Executive Director
Connecticut Airport Authority

Daniel Forrest
Director of Arts & Historic Preservation
State Historic Preservation Office

Todd Levine
Historian/Environmental Reviewer
State Historic Preservation Office

Commissioner Dora B. Schriro
Department of Emergency Services
and Public Protection

FROM: Melanie Bachman, Acting Executive Director *LAB*

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Bethel, Connecticut.

Pursuant to General Statutes § 16-50j(g), the Connecticut Siting Council hereby solicits your written comments on the above-referenced application. Your response on or before May 26, 2015 would be appreciated.

You may access the application and other documents for this proceeding on our website at www.ct.gov/csc under the link "Pending Proceedings."

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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

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TO: Thomas Regan, Esq., Brown Rudnick LLP
Michele Thomas, T-Mobile
Kenneth C. Baldwin, Esq., Robinson & Cole LLP

FROM: Melanie Bachman, Acting Executive Director *MAB*

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In furtherance of the state tower sharing policy pursuant to C.G.S. §16-50aa, we ask that each telecommunications carrier affirmatively state whether that carrier would likely seek to be located on this proposed facility at any time within the foreseeable future. If any carrier would like to participate in this proceeding, a response on or before May 26, 2015, will be appreciated.

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Eileen Earle
Bethel Parks & Recreation
earlee@bethel-ct.gov

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Dear Ms. Earle:

Confirming our e-mail correspondence of April 7, 2015, I appreciate the reservation of the General Purpose Room at the Bethel Town Hall for a public hearing on June 2, 2015 from 1:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

For your information, I have attached a general plan for seating arrangements.

If any other information is needed, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Carriann Mulcahy".

Carriann Mulcahy
Secretary II

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Seating Arrangements:

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Council Table
(seating for twelve)
(x = chairs)

X
X
Table
for
Court
Reporter
& Audio
Tech
(x =
chairs)

Party Table
(seating for
four)
(x = chairs)
X
X
X
X

Applicant Table
(x = chairs)
X X X X X

Podium for
public

SEATING FOR PUBLIC
(chairs facing Council table)



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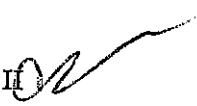
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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

April 17, 2015

TO: Classified/Legal Supervisor
458150417
The Danbury News Times
333 Main Street
Danbury, CT 06810

FROM: Carriann Mulcahy, Secretary II 

RE: **DOCKET NO. 458** – Florida Tower Partners LLC d/b/a North Atlantic Towers
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Please publish the attached legal notice for one day on the first day possible from receipt of this notice, except on Saturday, Sunday, or holiday.

Pursuant to General Statutes § 16-50m(c), the general notice to be public shall be published in its entirety in not less than **TEN POINT BOLDFACE TYPE**. If you have any questions concerning the ten point type, please contact me. If your newspaper does not have ten point type, please so state and also state the size type actually used in the legal notice in your affidavit.

Please send affidavit of publication and invoice to: Connecticut Siting Council
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New Britain, CT 06051

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