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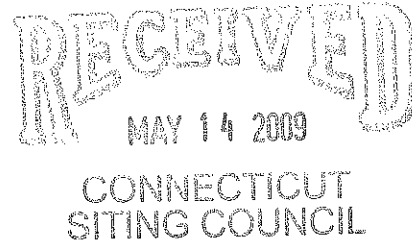
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May 13, 2009

**VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS**

S. Derek Phelps, Executive Director  
Connecticut Siting Council  
10 Franklin Square  
New Britain, CT. 06051



**Re: Docket 378 – Warren, CT**

Dear Mr. Phelps:

Applicant SBA Towers II, LLC (“SBA”) hereby submits four copies of the following documents to the Council in the above-referenced docket to supplement its bulk filing:

1. As noted in the April 22, 2009 letter from Craig B. Nelson, Chairman Inland Wetlands and Zoning and Wetlands Enforcement Officer, Town of Warren, the newly-approved Warren plan of conservation and development is not available for public purchase or electronically at this time. Nonetheless, SBA was able to obtain copies of the section of the new plan of conservation and development dealing with telecommunications facilities. Four copies of that section are included herein.

Please call me if there are any questions or problems. Thank you.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Carrie L. Larson".

Carrie L. Larson

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## Enhance Telecommunication Services

Wireless communication services are becoming an issue of greater interest for Warren residents. Once considered a luxury, cellular telephones and other wireless services are becoming more important as a means of communication and for public safety and convenience. In fact, for increasing numbers of people, cellular phones are the only telephone service they use.

While Warren will always be concerned about the aesthetic impacts of telecommunications towers, enhancing local wireless services will be a community goal in the future. In order to provide guidance for the siting of telecommunications towers and facilities, the Plan recommends that Warren consider adopting telecommunication siting principles.

### Wireless Communications Strategies

1. Seek ways to enhance local wireless communications coverage in ways appropriate to Warren's rural character.
2. Adopt and implement telecommunications siting principles.

*Provided For Informational Purposes*

## Policy Concepts - General Approach

### Statement of Purpose

The Town of Warren recognizes that wireless communication services are an important part of the daily lives of many people. The Town wishes to allow for the availability of adequate wireless communications service in Warren while striving to find the least obtrusive means of having such services available.

### Basic Program

The following policy preferences are intended to provide guidance to wireless telecommunications providers, the Connecticut Siting Council (which regulates the siting of new towers), and the Planning and Zoning Commission in terms of the siting of new wireless telecommunications facilities.

The Town of Warren intends to carefully review applications for wireless telecommunications facilities (whether to the Connecticut Siting Council or the Planning and Zoning Commission) that may affect the community or its residents. When the Town is notified (as required) of a pending application to the Siting Council for a wireless telecommunications tower, it is the intent of the Town to schedule a public informational meeting where the wireless telecommunications provider can explain the need for and the impact of the proposed wireless telecommunications tower. Based on the input received at this meeting and other information collected, the Town of Warren will prepare and provide testimony to the Siting Council for use during the permitting process.

## **Policy Concepts - Siting Preferences**

### **General Siting Preferences**

The Town of Warren seeks to encourage or require the siting of wireless telecommunications facilities in ways that will:

- Allow for permitting of locations which are the least visually obtrusive.
- Establish locations least disruptive to the public health, safety, and welfare consistent with the Plan of Conservation and Development.
- Protect the town's visual quality and minimize any adverse visual impacts through proper design, siting, and screening.
- Safeguard the community and minimize potential damage to adjacent properties.
- Minimize the number of towers, especially ground-mounted towers.
- Restrict the height to that needed to establish opportunities for co-location of multiple carriers.
- Provide for the orderly removal of abandoned antennas and towers.

### **Specific Siting Preferences For Towers**

#### **Location**

1. Towers should be located to serve areas lacking adequate wireless telecommunication service identified by the Connecticut Siting Council.
2. Applications should include a review of alternate locations and alternate technologies.
3. Parties wishing to locate towers within Warren should fly a balloon from the proposed location so that visual impacts may be evaluated from various locations.

#### **Protection of Important Resources**

4. The location should preserve the integrity of environmentally sensitive areas including unique wildlife habitats, wetlands, historic, and archaeological resources.
5. A location within or adjacent to any officially designated historic areas including any resource on the National Register of Historic Places should be avoided.
6. There should be no detrimental impact to any scenic area, scenic vista, designated scenic road, ridgeline, or significant geologic or natural features within Warren, especially those noted in the Plan of Conservation and Development.

#### **Design Considerations**

7. Tower locations should include an adequate fall zone that will protect public safety.
8. The use of stealth technologies should be employed whenever possible.
9. Signage and lighting should not be permitted except what is clearly necessary for public safety.
10. Site development should minimize impervious surfaces, avoid soil erosion and runoff problems, maintain natural buffers, provide for security, and provide for safe access.