



DEPARTMENT OF TECHNOLOGY SERVICES

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MINUTES OF TFCG MEETING

To: Distribution

From: Bob Hunnicutt, Tower Coordinator, Columbia Telecommunications Corporation

A meeting of the Transmission Facility Coordinating Group (TFCG) was held on July 6, 2011. The following people were in attendance:

MEMBERS

Marjorie Williams		DTS
Dave Niblock		DPS
Jennifer Bryant		OMB
Martin Rookard	(via phone)	WSSC
Mary Pat Wilson	(via phone)	MCPS
Joan Cole	(via phone)	M-NCPPC

STAFF

Bob Hunnicutt	CTC
Martin Liebman	CTC

OTHER ATTENDEES

John Garziglia	(via phone)	Reston Translators for WAMU
Dick Cassidy	(via phone)	WAMU
Tom Bunk	(via phone)	Vertical Technology Services for WAMU

Action Item – June Meeting Minutes: Martin Rookard moved the minutes be approved as written. Dave Niblock seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Action Item – Consent Agenda Applications:

1. AT&T application to add panel antennas on a lattice tower on the Hights Branch Tower at 6300 Damascus Road in Gaithersburg (Application #201107-01). *Minor Modification Conditioned on submission of a structural analysis report to DPS with a copy to the Tower Coordinator which states the structure can safely support the additional antennas and related cabling.*
2. AT&T application to add panel antennas on a monopole on Barnhart property at Hawkins Creamery Road & Laytonsville Road in Gaithersburg (Application #201107-02). *Minor Modification*

Conditioned on submission of a structural analysis report to DPS with a copy to the Tower Coordinator which states the structure can safely support the additional antennas and related cabling.

3. AT&T application to add panel antennas within a faux chimney atop Village Square Apartments at 11927 Veirs Mill Road in Silver Spring (Application #201107-03). *Minor Modification*
4. AT&T application to add panel antennas on a monopole on Weitzer property at 14705 Sugarland Road in Poolesville (Application #201107-04). *Minor Modification*
Conditioned on submission of a structural analysis report to DPS with a copy to the Tower Coordinator which states the structure can safely support the additional antennas and related cabling.
5. AT&T application to add panel antennas atop Schlesinger Building at 3720 Farragut Avenue in Kensington (Application #201107-05). *Minor Modification*
6. AT&T application to add panel antennas on a monopole on Mullinix Farm property at 11604 Piedmont Road in Clarksburg (Application #201107-06). *Minor Modification*
7. AT&T application to add panel antennas on a monopole on MNCPPC property at 1313 Bonifant Road in Colesville (Application #201107-07). *Minor Modification*
Conditioned on providing written approval from M-NCPPC to attach these antennas.
8. AT&T application to add panel antennas on a PEPCO transmission line tower on PEPCO property at 18300B Bowie Mill Road in Olney (Application #201107-09). *Minor Modification*
9. AT&T application to add panel antennas on a PEPCO transmission line tower on PEPCO property at 1 Mullinix Mill Road in Mt. Airy (Application #201107-10). *Minor Modification*
10. AT&T application to add panel antennas on a PEPCO transmission line tower on PEPCO property at Riffle Ford Road in Germantown (Application #201107-11). *Minor Modification*
11. AT&T application to add panel antennas on a PEPCO transmission line tower on PEPCO property at 2160A Brighton Dam Road in Brookville (Application #201107-12). *Minor Modification*
12. AT&T application to add panel antennas on a PEPCO transmission line tower on PEPCO property at 8700 Snouffer School Road in Gaithersburg (Application #201107-13). *Minor Modification*

13. AT&T application to add panel antennas on a PEPCO transmission line tower on PEPCO property at Ednor Road in Silver Spring (Application #201107-14). *Minor Modification*
14. AT&T application to add panel antennas on a PEPCO transmission line tower on PEPCO property at 17125 Germantown Road in Germantown (Application #201107-15). *Minor Modification*
15. AT&T application to add panel antennas on a PEPCO transmission line tower on PEPCO property at Travilah and Dufief Mill Roads in Gaithersburg (Application #201107-16). *Minor Modification*
16. AT&T application to add panel antennas on a PEPCO transmission line tower on PEPCO property at 13900 Piney Meeting House Road in Rockville (Application #201107-17). *Minor Modification*
17. AT&T application to add panel antennas on a PEPCO transmission line tower on PEPCO property at 10001 Betteker Lane in Potomac (Application #201107-18). *Minor Modification*
18. AT&T application to add panel antennas on a PEPCO transmission line tower on PEPCO property at 1000 Ashton Road in Ashton (Application #201107-19). *Minor Modification*
19. AT&T application to add panel antennas on a monopole on Laytonsville property at 4301 Brookville Road in Brookville (Application #201107-20). *Minor Modification Conditioned on submission of a structural analysis report to DPS with a copy to the Tower Coordinator which states the structure can safely support the additional antennas and related cabling.*
20. AT&T application to add panel antennas on a lattice tower on WSSC property at 23720 Log House Road in Gaithersburg (Application #201107-21). *Minor Modification Conditioned on providing DPS documentation of a legal right from WSSC to attach antennas at the time of permitting.*
21. AT&T application to add panel antennas atop Pavillion Apartments at 5901 Montrose Road in Rockville (Application #201107-22). *Minor Modification Conditioned on AT&T advising the Board of Appeals of a change in ownership of the property.*
22. AT&T application to add panel antennas atop the Semmes Building at 10220 River Road in Potomac (Application #201107-23). *Minor Modification*
23. AT&T application to add panel antennas on a water tank on WSSC property at 11400 Woodglen Drive and Executive Drive in Rockville (Application #201107-24). *Minor Modification*

Conditioned on providing DPS documentation of a legal right from WSSC to attach antennas at the time of permitting.

24. AT&T application to add panel antennas on a water tank on WSSC property at 17710 Bueler Rd in Olney (Application #201107-25). *Minor Modification*
Conditioned on providing DPS documentation of a legal right from WSSC to attach antennas at the time of permitting.
25. AT&T application to add panel antennas on a building on WSSC property at 12200 River Road in Potomac (Application #201107-26). *Minor Modification*
Conditioned on providing DPS documentation of a legal right from WSSC to attach antennas at the time of permitting.
26. AT&T application to add panel antennas atop Rock Creek Terrace Apartments at 12630 Veirs Mill Rd in Rockville (Application #201107-27). *Minor Modification*
27. AT&T application to add panel antennas on a water tank on WSSC property at 12413 Georgia Avenue in Silver Spring (Application #201107-28). *Minor Modification*
Conditioned on providing DPS documentation of a legal right from WSSC to attach antennas at the time of permitting.
28. AT&T application to add panel antennas on a water tank on WSSC property at 21701 Ridge Road in Germantown (Application #201107-31). *Minor Modification*
Conditioned on providing DPS documentation of a legal right from WSSC to attach antennas at the time of permitting.
29. AT&T application to add panel antennas on a water tank on WSSC property at 20511 Woodfield Road in Gaithersburg (Application #201107-32). *Minor Modification*
Conditioned on providing DPS documentation of a legal right from WSSC to attach antennas at the time of permitting.
30. Vertical Technology Services LLC application to attach an FM translator antenna on a lattice tower on the WDCA tower at 5202 River Road in Bethesda (Application #201107-33). *Co-Location*
31. AT&T application to add panel antennas on a monopole on Sherwood HS property at 300 Olney-Sandy Spring Road in Sandy Spring (Application #201107-34). *Minor Modification*
Conditioned on submission of a structural analysis report to DPS with a copy to the Tower Coordinator which states the structure can safely support the additional antennas and related cabling and on providing written approval from MCPS to attach these antennas and add the additional equipment cabinet.
32. AT&T application to add panel antennas on a guyed lattice tower on Shumaker Property at 16700 Barnesville Road in Barnesville (Application #201107-35). *Minor Modification*

Conditioned on submission of a structural analysis report to DPS with a copy to the Tower Coordinator which states the structure can safely support the additional antennas and related cabling.

33. T-Mobile application to add a new equipment cabinet on a 5' x 6' concrete pad to be constructed within the existing equipment area at the base of a lattice tower on Isaak Walton League property at 18301 Waring Station Road in Germantown (Application #201107-36) *Minor Modification*
34. T-Mobile application to replace an equipment cabinet on a new concrete pad to be constructed within the existing equipment area at the base of a monopole on Gate of Heaven property at 13801 Georgia Avenue in Silver Spring (Application #201107-37) *Minor Modification*
35. T-Mobile application to replace an equipment cabinet on the existing equipment platform atop Berkshire Towers at 11235 Oak Leaf Drive in Silver Spring (Application #201107-38) *Minor Modification*
36. T-Mobile application to replace an equipment cabinet at the base of a monopole on Colesville Center property at 49 Randolph Road in Colesville (Application #201107-39) *Minor Modification*
37. T-Mobile application to replace an equipment cabinet in the existing equipment room within the building at 962 Wayne at 962 Wayne Avenue in Silver Spring (Application #201107-40) *Minor Modification*
38. T-Mobile application to replace an equipment cabinet on the existing platform atop Park Montgomery Apartments at 8860 Piney Branch Road in Silver Spring (Application #201107-41) *Minor Modification*
39. T-Mobile application to add one panel antenna in the NRC Building at 11555 Rockville Pike in Rockville (Application #201107-42) *Minor Modification*
40. T-Mobile application to replace an equipment cabinet atop the Crossroads Building at 7676 New Hampshire Avenue in Takoma Park (Application #201107-43) *Minor Modification*
41. T-Mobile application to replace an equipment cabinet in an existing equipment area atop Postal Training Facility at 10130 Democracy Boulevard in Potomac (Application #201107-44) *Minor Modification*
42. T-Mobile application to add an equipment cabinet on an additional steel platform to be constructed on a roof atop the NIH Building #31 at 9000 Rockville Pike in Bethesda (Application #201107-45) *Minor Modification*

Bob Hunnicutt noted that the applicant for application number 39 on the agenda (201107- 42) requested that the application be withdrawn from consideration. Mary Pat Wilson asked that item number 31 (201107-34) be pulled for discussion.

Motion: Martin Rookard moved the Consent Agenda applications numbers 1 through 30, 32 through 38, and 40 through 42 be recommended as conditioned by Tower Coordinator. Jennifer Bryant seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved

Action Item: AT&T application to add panel antennas on a monopole on Sherwood HS property at 300 Olney-Sandy Spring Road in Sandy Spring (Application #201107-34). *Minor Modification*

Conditioned on submission of a structural analysis report to DPS with a copy to the Tower Coordinator which states the structure can safely support the additional antennas and related cabling and on providing written approval from MCPS to attach these antennas and add the additional equipment cabinet.

Mary Pat Wilson noted that she cannot vote on this application for the monopole on public school property.

Motion: Dave Niblock moved the application be recommended as conditioned by the Tower Coordinator. Martin Rookard seconded the motion and the motion was approved with Mary Pat Wilson abstaining.

Discussion Item: Hearing Examiner Request

Marjorie Williams advised the group that because T-Mobile's application for a Special Exception to construct a new monopole on Mt .Ephraim Road is different from the application as it was reviewed by the TFCG in 2009 (#200907-11), the Hearing Examiner has requested comment from the TFCG on the current location and design of the site. The new facility is now to be located 1,100 feet from the original location on the property, is a shorter structure, and has been redesigned to be a silo. Ms. Wilson advised the group that she will be scheduling a meeting at 2:00 P.M. on July 13th to discuss the changes and asked them to let her know if they would be available to attend at that time.

Discussion Item: Packet materials for TFCG Members

Ms. Williams, noting the large amount of material in this month's packet of material for the agenda, asked the group if they would object to providing copies of the applications and recommendation from the Tower Coordinator via an electronic means (i.e., Internet site) instead of delivering hard copies to the members before each meeting. She said this change would save paper and the expense of the copying and delivering the packets. The consensus of the group at the meeting was that the change would be acceptable to those participating in today's meeting. Ms. Wilson said she would check with the other members and if all agreed she would investigate options to accomplish that change.

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The next meeting of the TFCG is scheduled for Wednesday, July 13 at 2 p.m. in the second floor conference room #225 of the COB.