# STATE OF VERMONT PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Case No. 19-3511-PET

Petition of New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC	
requesting a certificate of public good,	
pursuant to 30 V.S.A. §248a, authorizing the	
installation of wireless telecommunications	
equipment in Derby, Vermont	

Order entered: 02/06/2020

# ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO DISMISS AND CLOSING CASE

## I. INTRODUCTION

In this Order, the Vermont Public Utility Commission ("Commission") grants the motion for dismissal filed by New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (the "Petitioner").

# II. PROCEDURAL HISTORY

On September 12, 2019, the Petitioner filed a petition requesting a certificate of public good for the installation of a wireless telecommunications facility in Derby, Vermont.

On October 30, 2019, the Commission issued an order granting permissive intervention and extending the comment period in this proceeding.

On January 3, 2020, the Commission issued a notice of a scheduling conference in this matter.

On January 15, 2020, the Petitioner filed a motion to dismiss its petition without prejudice.

On January 29, 2020, the Department of Public Service filed a response to the motion stating that it does not object to the motion.

# III. <u>Discussion and Conclusion</u>

In support of its motion, the Petitioner states that, due to opposition to the project, it is no longer pursuing the project. The Petitioner states that it has identified an alternative location for its project in the same general area and will be filing a new petition for that new project in the future. Therefore, the Petitioner requests that the instant petition be dismissed without prejudice.

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Rule 41(a)(2) of the Vermont Rules of Civil Procedure permits dismissal of an action at the plaintiff's request by an order of the court upon such terms and conditions as deemed proper by the court. Unless otherwise specified in the dismissal order, the dismissal is without prejudice. In this case, the Petitioner has stated that it is no longer seeking approval of its petition. Accordingly, we conclude that dismissal of the petition is warranted. Further, because it appears that the only prejudice arising from dismissal of this petition would be to the Petitioner and it is the Petitioner that is now requesting the dismissal, we also conclude that the petition may be dismissed without prejudice and this docket may be closed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> V.R.C.P. 41(a)(2).

#### SO ORDERED.

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this \_\_\_\_\_6th day of February, 2020

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Clerk of the Commission

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Appeal of this decision to the Supreme Court of Vermont must be filed with the Clerk of the Commission within 30 days. Appeal will not stay the effect of this Order, absent further order by this Commission or appropriate action by the Supreme Court of Vermont. Motions for reconsideration or stay, if any, must be filed with the Clerk of the Commission within 28 days of the date of this decision and Order.

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