## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF CELLCO PARTNERSHIP)
D/B/A VERIZON WIRELESS FOR ISSUANCE OF A)
CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND)
NECESSITY TO CONSTRUCT AN ADDITIONAL) CASE NO.
CELL FACILITY AT U.S. HIGHWAY 42 AND S.R.) 2005-00315
550, GHENT, CARROLL COUNTY, KENTUCKY
)
(THE GHENT CELL FACILITY)

## <u>O R D E R</u>

On July 28, 2005, Cellco Partnership, a Delaware General Partnership, d/b/a Verizon Wireless ("Applicant") filed an application seeking a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct and operate a wireless telecommunications facility. The proposed facility consists of a self-supporting antenna tower not to exceed 150 feet in height, with attached antenna, to be located at U.S. Highway 42 and S.R. 550, Ghent, Carroll County, Kentucky. The coordinates for the proposed facility are North Latitude 38° 43' 23.57" by West Longitude 85° 5' 10.81".

The Applicant has provided information regarding the structure of the tower, safety measures, and antenna design criteria for the proposed facility. Based upon the application, the design of the tower and foundation conforms to applicable nationally recognized building standards, and a Licensed Professional Engineer has certified the plans.

Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:063, the Applicant has notified the County Judge/Executive of the proposed construction. The Applicant did not file applications

with the Federal Aviation Administration ("FAA") and the Kentucky Airport Zoning Commission ("KAZC") seeking approval for the construction and operation of the proposed facility. The height of the proposed construction is 150 feet, which does not exceed the 200-foot height requirement set forth by the FAA. Therefore, the Applicant is not obligated to file applications with the FAA or KAZC regarding the proposed construction.

The Applicant has filed evidence of the appropriate notices provided pursuant to 807 KAR 5:063. The notices solicited any comments and informed the recipients of their right to request intervention. To date, no public comments have been filed with the Commission.

The Commission, having considered the evidence of record and being otherwise sufficiently advised, finds that the Applicant has demonstrated that a facility is necessary to provide adequate utility service and that, therefore, a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct the proposed facility should be granted.

Pursuant to KRS 278.280, the Commission is required to determine proper practices to be observed when it finds, upon complaint or on its own motion, that the facilities of any utility subject to its jurisdiction are unreasonable, unsafe, improper, or insufficient. To assist the Commission in its efforts to comply with this mandate, the Applicant should notify the Commission if it does not use this antenna tower to provide service in the manner set out in its application and this Order. Upon receipt of such notice, the Commission may, on its own motion, institute proceedings to consider the proper practices, including removal of the unused antenna tower, which should be observed by the Applicant.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The Applicant is granted a Certificate of Public Convenience and

Necessity to construct a wireless telecommunications facility. The proposed facility

consists of a self-supporting antenna tower not to exceed 150 feet in height, with

attached antenna, and is to be located at U.S. Highway 42 and S.R. 550, Ghent, Carroll

County, Kentucky. The coordinates for the proposed facility are North Latitude 38° 43'

23.57" by West Longitude 85° 5' 10.81".

2. The Applicant shall immediately notify the Commission in writing, if, after

the antenna tower is built and utility service is commenced, the tower is not used for a

period of three months in the manner authorized by this Order.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2005.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director