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## CERTIFICATE OF THE SECRETARY OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL NOTIFICATION FORM

PROJECT NAME : Telecommunications Tower  
PROJECT MUNICIPALITY : 150 Bennington Street - Revere  
PROJECT WATERSHED : Boston Harbor  
EOEA NUMBER : 13899  
PROJECT PROPONENT : Omnipoint Communications, Inc.  
DATE NOTICED IN MONITOR : October 25, 2006

Pursuant to the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act (G. L. c. 30, ss. 61-62H) and Section 11.06 of the MEPA regulations (301 CMR 11.00), I determine that this project **does not require** the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR).

According to the Environmental Notification Form (ENF), the proposed project consists of the construction of a 60-foot tall cellular communications unipole with a 484 square foot (sf) fenced-in area. The project will include associated telecommunications support equipment, such as approximately three equipment cabinets, a battery cabinet, and a power/telecommunications cabinet. The project site contains an 11,649 sf Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Function Hall with 81 parking spaces on 1.49 acres. The VFW facilities will remain, and the proposed tower would be located in the parking area. Access to the tower is via the parking lot. The project site is located within the Rumney Marsh Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC).

The project is subject to review pursuant to Section 11.03(11)(b) of the MEPA regulations because it is located within an ACEC. The project may need Massachusetts Aeronautics Commission and Federal Aviation Administration review. It may need to obtain a General Permit for Construction Site Dewatering (BRP WM10) from the Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP). The project may also require a Permit from the Massachusetts Telecommunications Department. An Order of Conditions will be required from

the Revere Conservation Commission (RCC) for work within a wetland resource area and buffer zone. MEPA jurisdiction extends to the subject matter of the state permits involved (wetlands and height/location).

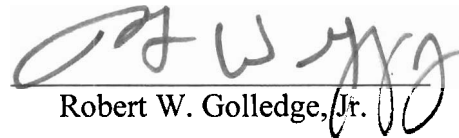
According to the proponent, the proposed project will affect an approximately 7 sf area with about 22 cubic feet (volume) of permanent impacts to land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage (LSCSF). The proponent will raise all support equipment above the 100-year base floodplain elevation of 10-feet above mean sea level.

The proponent should consider constructing a low berm along the perimeter of the proposed parking area to collect any gravel before it runs off the site into neighboring resource areas, as recommended by the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR). Construction stockpiles should be placed further away from the edge of wetland resource areas.

Based on a review of the information provided by the proponent and after consultation with the relevant public agencies, I find that the potential impacts of this project do not warrant the preparation of an EIR.

November 24, 2006

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Comments received:

EBI Consulting, 10/25/06

MHC, 10/27/06

DCR, 11/10/06

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