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Mr. John J. Long
City Clerk
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Dear Mr. Long:

I am in receipt of your letter of July 20, 2012 to Mr. Lowell McAdam, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Verizon, regarding the Board of Alderman's concerns of double poles in the City of Somerville.

As you know, the issue of double poles is a shared responsibility among all entities on the pole - the electric company, cable companies, municipal fire alarm, Verizon and sometimes private companies that have attachments. We have worked diligently, under the direction of DPW Commissioner, Stan Koty, to reduce the number of double poles in the City of Somerville.

To that end, since January, 2010 Verizon has completed over 230 transfers that have resulted in the elimination of over 265 double poles from the City of Somerville. Verizon continues to have crews within the city working to make further reductions in the number of double poles.

Verizon recognizes the need to minimize the existence of double poles and we are working towards that end.

Thank you for your communication, we look forward to continued progress working with city officials and the others that are attached to the poles. If I can be of further assistance please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stanley J. Usovicz".
Stan Usovicz
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July 20, 2012

Mr. Lowell McAdam
President and Chief Executive Officer
Verizon
140 West Street
New York, NY 10007

Dear Mr. McAdam:

The Somerville Board of Aldermen, meeting in session on July 12, 2012, reviewed and approved a Grant of Location request submitted jointly by NStar and Verizon, for a project near 50 Middlesex Avenue in Somerville.

During the course of the meeting, the Board expressed its frustration over Verizon's lack of responsiveness with respect to reducing the number of double poles in Somerville. The Board requested that I inform you of that frustration, and urge you to adopt a more productive working relationship with the City.

Please forward any response to my attention. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

John J. Long
City Clerk

