Checklist for Municipal Codes
Addressing Small Cell Installations

___ The code requires applicants to document possession of liability insurance which **does not**
exclude coverage for health claims due to radiofrequency (RF) radiation exposure. The
insurance should be issued to the parent company (e.g., Verizon), not the contractor, agent or
company subdivision. Self insurance is not acceptable.

___ The code requires the applicant to document significant effort to place antennas in non-
residential areas, far away from schools and daycare centers, and proof that such alternate
sites will not result in adequate coverage.

— The code requires applicant to provide to all homeowners within 500 feet of the proposed
antenna installation notification by certified mail.

___ The code requires the applicant to document a significant gap in service which will be
remedied by the proposed antenna installation.

___ The code requires the applicant to post conspicuous signs of pending applications at all
proposed sites.

— The code permits the municipality to hire an RF engineer to conduct random,
unannounced RFR emission testing of any or all antenna installation(s) at the expense of the
operator, and provides for substantial penalties for violations.

___ The code requires that RF radiation emission limits apply to the aggregate emissions of all
co-located equipment, not just emissions of single antennas. In the event such emissions
exceed FCC guidelines, all antennas must be turned off until the aggregate emissions are
lowered to acceptable limits.

___ The code requires applicants to certify that the company is subject to all local state and
federal laws, including the Americans with Disabilities Act, and that the operation of the
antennas will not jeopardize the health and well being of any citizens.

___ The code requires applications and permits for all RF antennas including free-standing,
pole mounted and strand-mounted antennas.

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