



THE NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH – BETHESDA CAMPUS
RENEWAL OF APPROVAL FOR UNIPOLE ANTENNA
Bethesda, Montgomery County, MD

Delegated Action of the Executive Director

April 27, 2006

Pursuant to delegations of authority under Section 6(B) of Guidelines and Submission Requirements for Antennas on Federal Property, as approved by the Commission on January 7, 1988 and amended on August 2, 2001, I approve the renewal of the unipole antenna at the National Institutes of Health's Bethesda campus, in Montgomery County, MD as shown on NCPC Map File No. 3101.20(38.30)42016 for a period not to exceed ten years.

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The National Institutes of Health (NIH) is seeking renewal of approval for an antenna located at the NIH Bethesda campus. The Commission previously reviewed and approved this antenna on May 3, 2001 for a period not to exceed five years. The existing installation is a unipole antenna that is approximately 30 feet tall.

The NIH indicates that there has been no change in any previous conditions of the initial construction, operation or maintenance of the antenna that was previously approved. In compliance with the Commission's Environmental and Historic Preservation Policies and Procedures, NCPC staff has independently reviewed the project information and the previous NCPC file report, and has determined that the action is a categorical exclusion under the National Environmental Policy Act in conformance with NCPC requirements under §8(C)(20) that provides for the review and approval of the installation of communication antenna on federal property. No historic properties are affected by this action. NCPC staff has determined to permit a ten-year approval because the antenna will not have an adverse impact on the Monumental Core and surrounding lands, designated historic buildings and districts, or nearby residential areas.

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Executive Director