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Moriah King  
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RE: **EM-AT&T-007-200311** – AT&T notice of intent to modify an existing telecommunications facility located at 260 Beckley Road, Berlin, Connecticut.

Dear Ms. King:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) received a notice of intent to modify the above-referenced facility on March 11, 2020.

According to Section 16-50j-71 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, "...any modification, as defined in Section 16-50j-2a of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, to an existing tower site, except as specified in Sections 16-50j-72 and 16-50j-88 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, may have a substantial adverse environmental effect."

Staff has reviewed this exempt modification request for completeness and has identified a deficiency in the request. No mount analysis is included with the request for exempt modification; therefore, it is unclear whether additional reinforcements would be required for the antenna mount, which would alter the proposed loading on the structure and require an updated structural analysis report.

Also the exempt modification request lacks documentation of the original facility approval and any conditions of such approval as issued by the Council.

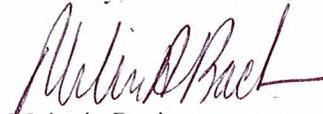
Therefore, the exempt modification request is incomplete at this time. The Council recommends that Empire Telecom provide documentation showing the original facility approval with conditions if any and a mount analysis for the proposed modification that is stamped and signed by a professional engineer duly licensed in the State of Connecticut and, if applicable, an updated Structural Analysis Report accounting for any required antenna mount modifications on or before April 13, 2020. If additional time is needed to gather the requested information, please submit a written request for an extension of time prior to April 13, 2020. **Please provide an electronic version and one hard copy of the requested information for the incomplete exempt modification to be rendered complete and processed. Please include the Council's exempt modification identification number referenced above with the submittal.**

This notice of incompleteness shall have the effect of tolling the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) 60-day timeframe in accordance with Paragraph 217 of the FCC Wireless Infrastructure Report and Order issued on October 21, 2014 (FCC 14-153).



Thank you for your attention to this matter. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 860-827-2951.

Sincerely,



Melanie Bachman  
Executive Director

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- c: The Honorable Mark H. Kaczynski, Mayor, Town of Berlin
- Arosha Jayawickrema, Town Manager, Town of Berlin
- Maureen Giusti, Zoning Enforcement Officer, Town of Berlin