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November 26, 2019

Kyle Richers
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RE: **EM-T-MOBILE-014B-191011** - T-Mobile notice of intent to modify an existing telecommunications facility located at 123 Pine Orchard Road, Branford, Connecticut.

Dear Mr. Richers:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) hereby denies your request to modify the above-referenced existing telecommunications facility, pursuant to Section 16-50j-73 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

This exempt modification request was submitted to the Council on October 11, 2019. Council staff reviewed this request for completeness and had identified an inconsistency that was more fully described in a notice of incompleteness letter/e-mail to the requesting entity dated October 24, 2019, and recommended that Transcend Wireless either provide a structural analysis, mount analysis and construction drawings that are in compliance with the Council's Docket No. 386 condition of approval on or before November 25, 2019 or submit a motion to reopen Docket No. 386 to modify the antenna configuration condition. To date, the Council has not received the requested information nor a request to reopen and modify the final decision in Docket No. 386.

Thus, the proposed modification is not in compliance with the exemption criteria in Section 16-50j-72 (b) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies and is hereby denied.

Sincerely,

Melanie Bachman
Executive Director

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c: The Honorable James B. Cosgrove, First Selectman, Town of Branford
Harry Smith, Town Planner, Town of Branford
American Tower Corporation, Tower Owner
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October 24, 2019

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RE: **EM-T-MOBILE-014B-191011** - T-Mobile notice of intent to modify an existing telecommunications facility located at 123 Pine Orchard Road, Branford, Connecticut.

Dear Mr. Richers:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) received a notice of intent to modify the above-referenced facility on October 11, 2019.

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."

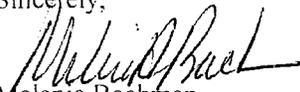
Staff has reviewed this exempt modification request for completeness and has identified a deficiency in the Structural Analysis Report (SA) dated July 26, 2019, the Mount Analysis (MA) dated July 8, 2019 and the Construction Drawings (CD) last revised July 25, 2019. The documents referenced above are not consistent with condition No. 1 of the Council's Docket No. 386 which states "Panel antennas shall be installed in a flush-mount configuration or utilizing t-arm mounts and such panel antennas shall not exceed a height of 125 feet above ground level."

Therefore, the exempt modification request is incomplete at this time. The Council recommends that Transcend Wireless either provide a SA, MA and CD that are in compliance with the Council's Docket No. 386 condition of approval on or before November 25, 2019 or submit a motion to reopen Docket No. 386 to modify the flush mount condition. If additional time is needed to gather the requested information, please submit a written request for an extension of time prior to November 25, 2019. **Please provide an electronic version and one hard copy of the required documents for the incomplete request 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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