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**VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL**

October 16, 2020

Elizabeth Jamieson  
Transcend Wireless  
10 Industrial Ave., Suite 3  
Mahwah, New Jersey 07430

RE: **EM-T-MOBILE-153-201007** – T-Mobile notice of intent to modify an existing telecommunications facility located at 27 Siemon Company Drive, Watertown, Connecticut.

Dear Ms. Jamieson:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) received a notice of intent to modify the above-referenced facility on October 7, 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 the following deficiencies:

1. The structural analysis (SA) prepared by Centek Engineering, Inc., dated September 4, 2020 and provided with the request, cites the 2016 Connecticut State Building Code (CSBC); however, the State of Connecticut has adopted the 2018 CSBC effective October 1, 2018; and
2. The mount analysis (MA) prepared by Centek Engineering, Inc. and dated September 4, 2020, does not include a percentage (%) stress capacity for the antenna mount.

Therefore, the exempt modification request is incomplete at this time. The Council recommends that Transcend Wireless provide a MA that indicates the % stress capacity of the antenna mount and an updated SA that comports with the current 2018 CSBC, on or before November 16, 2020. If additional time is needed to gather the requested information, please submit a written request for an extension of time prior to November 16, 2020. **Please provide an electronic version 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,

*s/Melanie Bachman*

Melanie Bachman  
Executive Director

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