

May 21, 2009

Ms. Jamie Ford
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Subject: National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) - Letter of Low Potential Impact
Amtrak Branford/ CTNH801B
123 Pine Orchard Road, Branford, CT
EBI Project #61087701

Dear Ms. Ford:

Attached please find our *National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)* Letter of Low Potential Impact for the proposed telecommunications installation at the address noted above (the Subject Property). The purpose of this letter is to evaluate the above-referenced property for potential environmental and historical concerns specified by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) in 47 CFR 1.1307.

As of the date of this Report, T-Mobile, USA proposes to construct a 125-foot monopole-style telecommunications tower and to collocate 9 antennas at a centerline height of 122 feet-9 inches above ground level on the proposed tower. T-Mobile USA also proposes to place equipment cabinets on a 10-foot by 15-foot concrete slab within the 50-foot by 50-foot fenced compound within a 75-foot by 75-foot leased area. T-Mobile USA will run utility conduits underground commencing from the Subject Property paved parking lot traversing south toward the Project Site.

Based upon the results of our preliminary NEPA screening, it appears that the proposed installation will not impact any of the criteria as outlined in 1.1307(a) items (1) through (8) and preparation of an Environmental Assessment (EA) is not required. However, our Native American Indian consultation required under Section 1.1307(a) (5) of the FCC Rules is incomplete. Although EBI has submitted 4 requests to the Narragansett Indian Tribe, the Narragansett Indian Tribe has not responded after their notification initiating consultation and review of cell tower site designated by TCNS # 47195. Of importance, based our historic review, it appears that development during the recent past has likely impacted the local soil deposits within the Area of Potential Effect to a substantial degree. As a result, it is unlikely that intact cultural deposits are situated within the proposed project area.

In addition, the Connecticut Historic Preservation Office has yet to grant concurrence that the proposed undertaking will have no adverse effect on historic resources. Of importance, based on a review of the files available at the University of Connecticut's Dodd Research Center conducted by Heritage Consultants, Inc., on January 5, 2009, no historic properties were identified within the APE for visual effects.

Based on our preliminary review and archaeological assessment, even though tribal consultation is incomplete and SHPO concurrence has yet to be granted, there is a low potential that the proposed undertaking will impact Native American religious sites and historic resources.

Please call us if you have any questions or if we may be of further assistance.

Respectfully Submitted,



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