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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

October 27, 2021

The Honorable Leonard J. Assard First Selectman Town of Bethlehem P. O. Box 160 Bethlehem, CT 06751-0160 Ijassard@bethlehemct.org

RE: **EM-VER-010-211019** – Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless notice of intent to modify an existing telecommunications facility located at 310 Watertown Road (a/k/a 2579 Litchfield Road), Bethlehem, Connecticut.

Dear First Selectman Assard:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of the Town of Bethlehem's correspondence dated October 23, 2021 concerning the above-referenced request for an exempt modification. Thank you for taking the time to provide the Council with your comments.

Before making a final decision on a request for an exempt modification, the Council carefully considers the proposal in accordance with the required feasibility criteria under 16-50j-72 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies. Entities requesting an exempt modification for an existing telecommunications facility must demonstrate that the proposal is consistent with the Exempt Modification criteria, including, but not limited to, changes on existing site that do not increase the tower height; extend the boundaries of the site by any dimension; increase noise levels at the site boundary by 6 decibels or more, or to levels that exceed state criteria; increase radio frequency power density at the site boundary to or above standards adopted by the Federal Communications Commission; cause a significant adverse change or alteration in the physical or environmental characteristics of the site; or impair the structural integrity of the facility.

Thank you for your interest and concern with this matter.

Sincerely,

Melanie A. Bachman Executive Director

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From: Leonard Assard <ljassard@bethlehemct.org> Sent: Saturday, October 23, 2021 10:00 AM To: CSC-DL Siting Council <Siting.Council@ct.gov> Subject: Bethlehem

To whom it may concern,

The Town of Bethlehem has no comments or questions concerning application EM-VER-010-211019.

Leonard Assard First Selectman