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September 18, 2018

Jeffrey Barbadora Crown Castle 12 Gill Street, Suite 5800 Woburn, MA 01801

RE:

**EM-SPRINT-029-180914** – Sprint notice of intent to modify an existing telecommunications facility located at 161 Pinney Street, Colebrook, Connecticut.

Dear Mr. Barbadora:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) received a notice of intent to modify the above-referenced facility on September 14, 2018.

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. The Structural Opinion Letter provided in the exempt modification request does not indicate a final stress capacity for the tower. Also sheets A-1 and A-2 of the Construction Drawings prepared by Hudson Design Group and last revised on July 17, 2018 refer to a Mount Analysis dated July 17, 2018 which is not included with the request for exempt modification, thus 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.

Therefore, the exempt modification request is incomplete at this time. The Council recommends that Crown Castle provide a Structural Analysis Report which shows the final stress capacity of the tower and a mount analysis for the proposed equipment that is stamped and signed by a professional engineer duly licensed in the State of Connecticut, on or before October 22, 2018. If additional time is needed to gather the requested information, please submit a written request for an extension of time prior to October 22, 2018.

This notice of incompletion 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 Thomas D. McKeon, First Selectman, Town of Colebrook Michael Halloran, Zoning Enforcement Officer, Town of Colebrook