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July 9, 2003

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RE:

TS-T-MOBILE-030-030624 - Omnipoint Communications, Inc. request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 14 Thompson Hill Road, Columbia, Connecticut.

Dear Attorney Humes:

At a public meeting held July 8, 2003, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) ruled that the shared use of this existing tower site is technically, legally, environmentally, and economically feasible and meets public safety concerns, and therefore, in compliance with General Statutes § 16-50aa, the Council has ordered the shared use of this facility to avoid the unnecessary proliferation of tower structures. This facility has also been carefully modeled to ensure that radio frequency emissions are conservatively below State and federal standards applicable to the frequencies now used on this tower.

This decision is under the exclusive jurisdiction of the Council. Any additional change to this facility may require an explicit request to this agency pursuant to General Statutes § 16-50aa or notice pursuant to Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Section 16-50j-73, as applicable. Such request or notice shall include all relevant information regarding the proposed change with cumulative worst-case modeling of radio frequency exposure at the closest point uncontrolled access to the tower base, consistent with Federal Communications Commission, Office of Engineering and Technology, Bulletin 65. Any deviation from this format may result in the Council implementing enforcement proceedings pursuant to General Statutes § 16-50u including, without limitation, imposition of expenses resulting from such failure and of civil penalties in an amount not less than one thousand dollars per day for each day of construction or operation in material violation.

This decision applies only to this request for tower sharing and is not applicable to any other request or construction.

The proposed shared use is to be implemented as specified in your letter dated June 24, 2003.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Very truly yours,

Pamela B. Katz, P.E.

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Chairman

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TS-T-MOBILE-030-030624

Re: Request by T-Mobile for an Order to Approve the Shared Use of a Tower Facility at 14 Thompson Hill Road, Columbia, Connecticut

Dear Chairman Katz and Members of the Council:

Please be advised that LeBoeuf, Lamb, Greene & MacRae, L.L.P. represents Omnipoint Communications, Inc., a subsidiary of T-Mobile USA, Inc. (hereinafter T-Mobile) in the abovereferenced matter. Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §16-50aa, T-Mobile hereby requests an order from the Connecticut Siting Council ("Council") approving T-Mobile's proposed shared use of an existing tower located at 14 Thompson Hill Road in Columbia, Connecticut. T-Mobile proposes to install antennas on the existing tower, and the equipment associated with this facility would be located near the base of the tower within the existing compound (see drawing A-1 attached as part of Exhibit B). T-Mobile requests that the Council find that the proposed shared use of the tower satisfies the criteria stated in §16-50aa and issue an order approving the proposed use. The chief elected official of Columbia has been notified via First Class Mail.

Background

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T-Mobile operates "Wideband PCS" licenses for the 2-Ghz PCS frequencies for the greater New York City area, including the entire State of Connecticut. Omnipoint is licensed by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to provide PCS wireless telecommunications service in Connecticut, which includes the area to be served by the proposed installation.

The tower at 14 Thompson Hill Road, Columbia, is an existing one hundred eighty foot (180') monopole. The coordinates for the site are 41°-43'-3" N and 72°-17'-59" W. The tower is located approximately twenty-two hundred feet (2,200') south of State Route 6 and approximately twenty-two hundred feet (2,200') west of Thompson Hill Road in Columbia. The tower is owned by Sprint Sites USA, with the underlying landowner being Thomas Deojay. T-Mobile and the owner have agreed to mutually acceptable terms and conditions for the proposed shared use of this tower, and the owner has authorized T-Mobile to act on its behalf to apply for all necessary local, state and federal permits, approvals and authorizations which may be required for the proposed shared use of this facility. The tower is designed and built to hold multiple carrier antennas at multiple elevations above ground level ("AGL"). These elevations are listed on the elevation drawing 3, A-1 attached as part of Exhibit B. Currently, there are telecommunications antennas for other carriers at the one hundred seventy-eight (178'-0") centerline AGL (Sprint), the one hundred fifty foot (150'-0") centerline AGL (Verizon) and the one hundred forty foot centerline AGL (AT&T). Nextel has a proposal for antennas at the one hundred seventy foot (170') centerline AGL.

T-Mobile proposes to install an antenna cluster comprised of three (3) sectors, with two (2) antennas per sector for a total of six (6) antennas. The model number for each antenna is EMS RR90-17-02 DP. The antennas would be mounted on pipe mounts on a proposed low profile triangular platform at the one hundred sixty foot (160'-0") centerline AGL. The antenna mounting plan is shown on drawing 2, A-1 attached as part of Exhibit B. T-Mobile's configuration allows for the future expansion to 3 antennas per sector for a total of nine (9). The radio transmission equipment associated with these antennas, three (3) Nortel S8000 BTS cabinets and one (1) power/telco cabinet, would be located near the base of the tower on two proposed five foot by ten foot (5'-0" x 10'-0") concrete pads within a proposed leased ten foot by twenty foot (10' x 20') square area. A new proposed ice bridge would be installed from the T-Mobile cabinets to the tower on its north side. The tower and all of the equipment for all existing and proposed carriers is within an existing compound surrounded by a gated six foot (6') high chain link fence (shown on drawing 1, A-1, attached as part of Exhibit B). Access to the compound is via an existing access drive. Utilities will be run from existing utility sources approved by the owner via underground conduits (shown in drawing 1, A-1, attached as part of Exhibit B).

C.G.S. §16-50aa (c) (1) provides, in pertinent part, that upon written request for approval of a proposed shared use, "if the council finds that the proposed shared use of the facility is technically, legally, environmentally and economically feasible and meets public safety concerns, the council shall issue an order approving such shared use." The shared use of the tower satisfies those criteria as follows:

- **A.** <u>Technical Feasibility</u> The existing tower and compound were designed to accommodate multiple carriers. A structural analysis of the tower with the proposed T-Mobile installation has been performed and is attached as Exhibit D. The proposed shared use of this tower therefore is technically feasible.
- **B.** Legal Feasibility Under C.G.S. § 16-50aa, the Council has been authorized to issue orders approving the proposed shared use of an existing tower facility such as the facility at 14 Thompson Hill Road in Columbia. This authority complements the Council's prior-existing authority under C.G.S. § 16-50p to issue orders approving the construction of new towers that are subject to the Council's jurisdiction. C.G.S. § 16-50x(a) vests exclusive jurisdiction over these facilities in the Council, which shall "give such consideration to other state laws and municipal regulations as it shall deem appropriate" in ruling on requests for the shared use of existing tower facilities. Under this statutory authority vested in the Council, an order by the Council approving the shared use would permit the Applicant to obtain a building permit for the proposed installations.
- C. <u>Environmental Feasibility</u> The proposed shared use would have minimal environmental effects, if any, for the following reasons:
- 1. The proposed installations (i.e., three (3) sectors with two (2) antennas per sector) would have an insignificant incremental visual impact, and would not cause any significant change or alteration in the physical or environmental characteristics of the existing site. In particular, the proposed installations would not increase the height of the existing tower, and would not extend the boundaries of the existing compound area. The tower is designed to accommodate multiple carriers
- 2. The proposed installations would not increase the noise levels at the existing facility by six decibels or more.
- 3. Operation of antennas at this site would not exceed the total radio frequency electromagnetic radiation power density level adopted by the American National Standards Institute ("ANSI"). The "worst-case" exposure calculated for operation of this facility (i.e., calculated at the base of the tower, which represents the closest publicly accessible point within the broadcast field of the antennas) will be 0.3002 mW/cm2, which is 3.9% of the Maximum Permissible Emission (MPE). The power density calculation from other existing and proposed carriers is 24.03% of the MPE. T-Mobile's proposal, when combined with all other coverage, accounts for a cumulative power density of 27.032% of the MPE standard. These calculations are based on three sectors of three antennas (or a total of nine) and are attached as Exhibit E.
- 4. The proposed installations would not require any water or sanitary facilities, or generate air emissions or discharges to water or sanitary facilities, or generate air emissions or discharges to water bodies. After construction is complete (approximately two (2) weeks), the proposed installations would not generate any traffic other than periodic maintenance visits.

The proposed use of this facility would therefore have a minimal environmental effect, if any, and is environmentally feasible.

- **D.** <u>Economic Feasibility</u> As previously mentioned, the owner and T-Mobile have entered into a mutual agreement to share the use of the existing tower on terms agreeable to the parties. The proposed tower sharing is therefore economically feasible.
- **E.** Public Safety Concerns As stated above, the existing tower is structurally capable of supporting the proposed T-Mobile antennas. The tower stands on a compound accessible from Thompson Hill via an access road. T-Mobile is not aware of any public safety concerns relative to the proposed sharing of the existing tower. In fact, the provision of new or improved phone service through shared use of the existing tower will enhance the safety and welfare of area residents and the public.

Conclusion

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For the reasons discussed above, the proposed shared use of the existing tower facility at Thompson Hill Road in Columbia, Connecticut satisfies the criteria stated in C.G.S. §16-50aa, and advances the General Assembly's and the Council's goal of preventing the unnecessary proliferation of towers in Connecticut. T-Mobile therefore respectfully requests that the Council issue an order approving the proposed shared use of this tower.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

T-MOBILE USA, INC.

Its Counsel

Stephen J. Humes

Attachments

cc: Adella Urban, First Selectman

Exhibit A Site Map 14 Thompson Hill Road Columbia, Connecticut

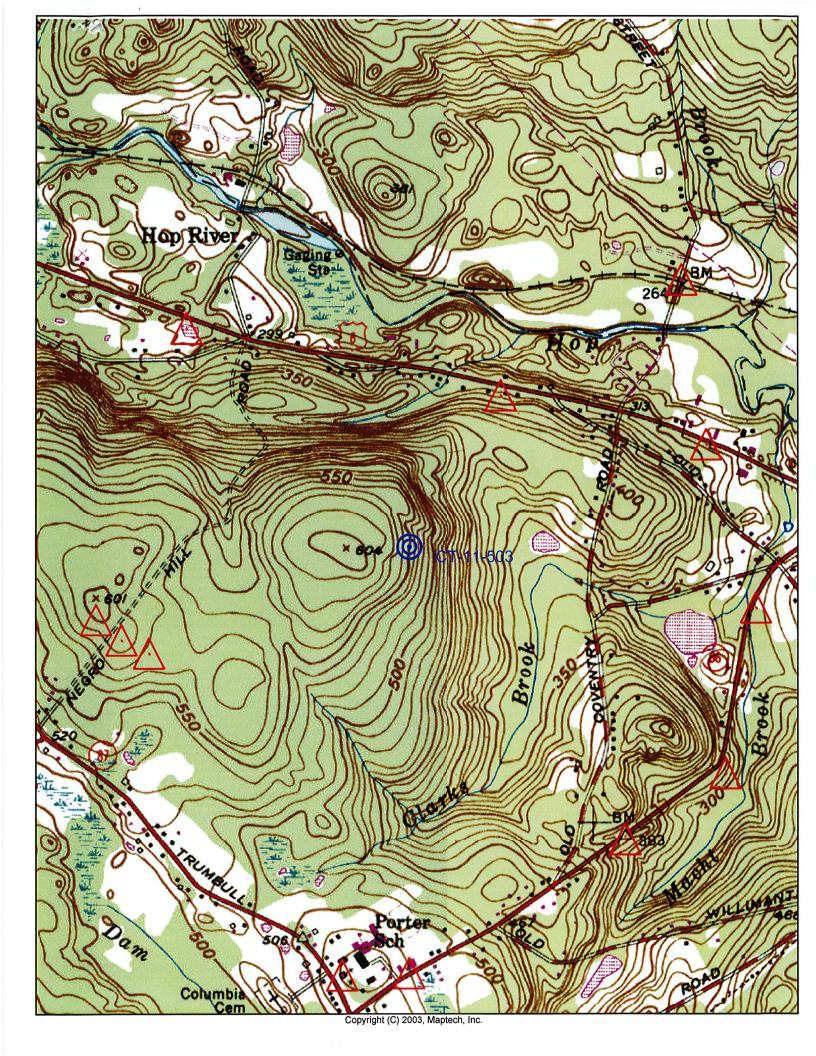


Exhibit B <u>Design Drawings</u> 14 Thompson Hill Road Columbia, Connecticut

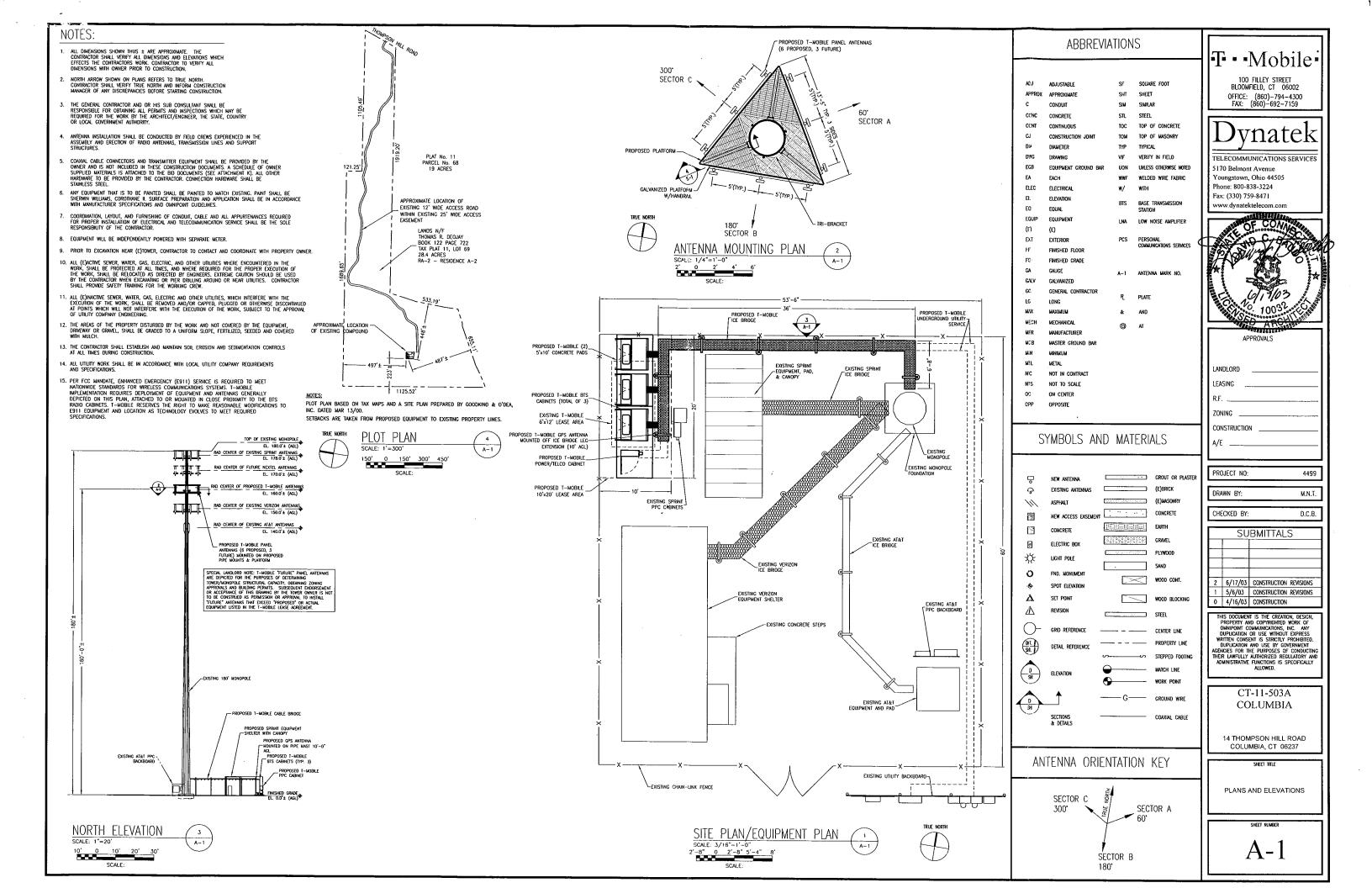
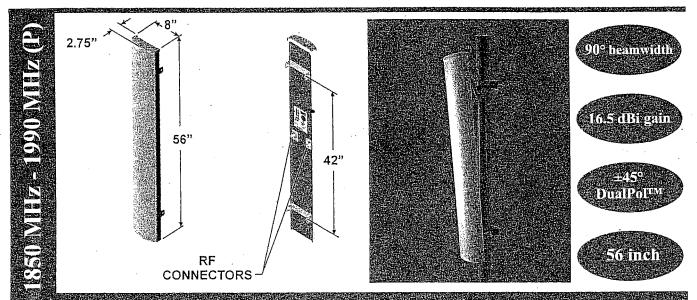


Exhibit C Equipment Specifications 14 Thompson Hill Road Columbia, Connecticut

RR90-17-XXXP



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Elect	rical	Mechar	nical
Azimuth Beamwidth Elevation Beamwidth Gain Polarization Port-to-Port Isolation Front-to-Back Ratio Electrical Downtilt Options VSWR	90° 6° 16.5 dBi (14.4 dBd) Slant, ±45° ≥ 30 dB ≥ 25 dB (≥ 30 dB Typ.) 0°, 2°, 4°, 6° 1.35:1 Max	Dimensions (L x W x D) Rated Wind Velocity Equivalent Flat Plate Area Front Wind Load @ 100 mph (161 kph) Side Wind Load @ 100 mph (161 kph) Weight	56in x 8in x 2.75in (142 cm x 20.3 cm x 7.0 cm) 150 mph (241 km/hr) 3.1ft (.29 m') 90 lbs (400 N) 31 lbs (139 N) 18 lbs (8.2 kg)
Connectors	2;Type N or 7-16 DIN (female)	Note: Patent Pending and US Patent n	umher 5 757 246

Power Handling 250 Watts CW 2-147 dBc (2 tone 2+43 dBm (20W) ea.)

Chassis Ground

Lightning Protection

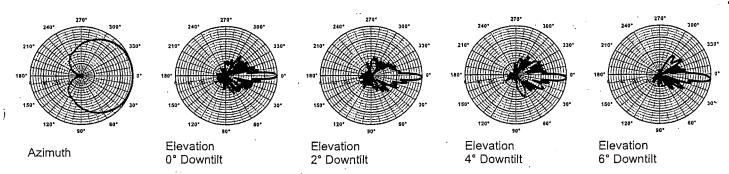
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BC (2 tone Values and patterns are representative and variations may occur. Specifications may

data is available from the factory or via the web site www.emswireless.com and reflect all updates.

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٠	Model Number	Description	Comments	
	MTG-P00-10	Standard Mount (Supplied with antenna)	Mounts to Wall or 1,5 inch to 5.0 inch O.D. Pole (3.8 cm to 12.7 cm)	
	MTG-S02-10	Swivel Mount	Mounting kit providing azimuth adjustment.	
	MTG-DXX-20*	Mechanical Downtilt Kits	0° - 10° or 0° - 15° Mechanical Downtilt	
	MTG-CXX-10*	Cluster Mount Kits	3 antennas 120° apart or 2 antennas 180° apart	
	MTG-C02-10 U-Bolt Cluster Mount Kit 3 antennas 120° apart , 4.5" O.D. pole.		3 antennas 120° apart , 4.5" O.D. pole.	
	MTG-TXX-10*	Steel Band Mount	Pole diameters 7.5" - 45"	
	* Model number shown represents a series of products. See mounting options section for specific model number.			



4.1.1 Dimensions and Weight

Table 1 - Dimensions of the S12000 BTS

	Populated cabinet		Depopulated cabinet	
	(cm)	(in)	(cm)	(in)
Height	191	75.2	172	67.7
Depth	65	25.6	65	25.6
Width	135	53.2	135	53.2

Table 2 - Weight of the S12000 BTS

	Populated cabinet (full configuration)		Depopulate	ed cabinet
	(kg)	(ib.)	(kg)	(lb.)
S12000	570	1257	200	441

Note: The pallet weights 19kg (42 lb.) and has a height of 13cm (5.1 in)

Note: The height of \$12000 Outdoor with the hood open is 256 cm (100.8 in)

The BTS floor print can be found in section 10.2 Appendix B.

4.1.2 Key Cabled Cabinet Components

A low mass, mechanically strong external cabinet housing containing:

- All mechanical sub-racks and mechanical support systems required for the installation, transport and operation of the GSM wireless equipment to be housed within.
- A forced ventilation, low acoustic Direct Ambient Cooling System (DACS)
- An AC/DC power system
- A fixed DC distribution system to power the enclosed electronic equipment
- A Power Amplifier Interconnection module (PA-ICO)
- DRX interconnection modules (DRX ICO) (A&B)
- Combiner interconnection modules (COMICO) (A&B)
- A batteries box

Refer to section 10.1 Appendix A for a general overview of the \$12000.

4.1.3 Environmental Requirements

Table 3 - Operational Temperature and Humidity

Normal	Range
Optimized operating temperature	-20°C (-4°F) to 40°C (104°F)
Total operating temperature	-40°C (-40°F) to 50°C (122°F)
Normal Operating humidity	15% to 100% relative humidity (non-condensing)
Absolute humidity	0,26 g/m3 to 36 g/m3

· Storage requirements

The S12000 meets the requirements of reference document R10 class 1.2

· Transport requirements

The S12000 meets the requirements of reference document R11 class 2.2

• Ingress protection

The cabinet shall be weather resistant to prevent ingress of rain, snow, dust and other solid foreign objects to a minimum level of IP55 as specified by reference document R3. The maximum permitted water ingress under test conditions shall be 5ml.

Noise

LWAd < 63 dB (A) measured in accordance with reference document R8 if Temp_{ext} < 40°C (104°F)

The maximum sound power level emitted from the S12000 Outdoor cabled cabinet, when fully populated and measured in accordance with the requirements of reference document R8, shall not exceed:

- Normal speed operation: 63 dB (A) (when temperature is < 40°C)
- Maximum speed operation: 70 dB (A) (when temperature is >40°C)

Note: The noise may be higher than the one previously indicated due to the real configuration of the site (proximity of walls or any reflecting surfaces). Specific protections against noise can be added to comply with the local recommendations.

· External air flow rate

Normal speed operation: 800 m³ / hour

Exhibit D Structural Analysis 14 Thompson Hill Road Columbia, Connecticut

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180 ft EEI Monopole Structural Analysis 0 P/0/2/03

CT-11-503A

Prepared for: Sprint Sites USA 535 East Crescent Ave Ramsey, NJ 07446

Site: CT33XC571 - VoiceStream Columbia, CT

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May 28, 2003

Ms. Kim Cordes Sprint Sites USA 535 East Crescent Ave Ramsey, NJ 07446

Re: Site Number CT33XC571 - Columbia, CT.

Dear Ms. Cordes:

We have completed the structural analysis for the existing monopole, located at the above referenced site. The purpose of this analysis is to determine that the existing monopole design is in conformance with the EIA/TIA-222-F standard and local building codes for the proposed antennae loads installation. Refer to the Review and Recommendations section at the end of this report for the analysis results.

Description of Structure:

The structure is a 180 ft EEI Monopole.

Refer to EEI job #6151 dated December 17, 1999 for a detailed description of the structure.

Method of analysis:

The tower was analyzed using Semaan Engineering Solutions' software suite for communication structures. The structural analysis is performed using the SAPS finite element engine. The method is 3D, non-linear, which accounts for the second order geometric effects due to the displacements. It also treats guys as exact cable elements and therefore is ideal for guyed towers. The analysis was performed in conformance with EIA/TIA-222-F and local building codes for a basic wind speed of 85 mph and 1/2" radial ice with reduced wind speed. Wind is applied to the structure, accessories and antennas.

Structure loading:

Per the loading sheet supplied, the analysis was performed using the following loading: (Proposed loading in bold)

Elev. (ft)	Qty.	Antennas and Mounts	Coax	Owner
180.0	9	DB980H Mounted On a EEI 10'8" Low Profile platform	(9) 1-5/8	Sprint
170.0	12	DB844H90 Mounted On a Low Profile platform	(12) 1-1/4	Nextel
160.0	6	RR90-17-002P Mounted On a Low Profile platform	(12) 1-5/8	Voicestream
150.0	12	DB844H80 Mounted On a Low Profile platform	(12) 1-5/8	Verizon
140.0	6	Allgon 7250 Mounted On (3) Standoff Arms	(12) 1-5/8	AT&T

All new access holes shall be reinforced with welded rims that are compatible with the pole and to be sized and supplied by pole manufacturer.

All transmission lines are assumed running inside of pole shaft.

Results of Analysis:

Refer to the attached Computer Summary sheets for detailed analysis results.

Structure:

The existing monopole is structurally capable of supporting the existing and proposed antennas.

The maximum structure usage is: 69.8%.

Foundation:

Pole Reactions	Original Design Reactions	Current Analysis Reactions	% Of Design
_Moment (ft-kips)	4,591.50	3,607.43	78.6
Shear (kips)	35.71	28.65	80.2

The structure base reactions resulting from this analysis do not exceed the ones shown on the original structure drawings.

Review and Recommendations:

Based on the analysis results, the existing structure meets the requirements per the EIA/TIA-222-F standards for a basic wind speed of 85 mph and 1/2" radial ice with reduced wind speed.

Exhibit E Power Density Calculations 14 Thompson Hill Road Columbia, Connecticut

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Technical Memo

To: Karina Hansen

From: Hassan Syed - Radio Frequency Engineer

cc: Jason Overbey

Subject: Power Density Report for CT11503A

Date: May 2, 2003

1. Introduction:

This report is the result of an Electromagnetic Field Intensities (EMF - Power Densities) study for the T-Mobile PCS antenna installation on a Monopole at 14 Thompson Hill Road, Columbia, CT06237, CT. This study incorporates the most conservative consideration for determining the practical combined worst case power density levels that would be theoretically encountered from locations surrounding the transmitting location.

2. Discussion:

The following assumptions were used in the calculations:

- 1) The emissions from T-Mobile transmitters are in the 1935-1945 MHz frequency band.
- 2) The antenna array consists of three sectors, with 3 antennas per sector.
- 3) The model number for each antenna is EMS RR90-17-02DP.
- 4) The antenna center line height is 160 ft.
- 5) The maximum transmit power from any sector is 3244.61 Watts Effective Radiated Power (EiRP) assuming 8 channels per sector.
- 6) All the antennas are simultaneously transmitting and receiving, 24 hours a day.
- 7) Power levels emitting from the antennas are increased by a factor of 2.56 to account for possible in-phase reflections from the surrounding environment. This is rarely the case, and if so, is never continuous.
- 8) The average ground level of the studied area does not change significantly with respect to the transmitting location

Equations given in "FCC OET Bulletin 65, Edition 97-01" were then used with the above information to perform the calculations.

3. Conclusion:

Based on the above worst case assumptions, the power density calculation from the T-Mobile PCS antenna installation on a Monopole at 14 Thompson Hill Road, Columbia, CT06237, CT, is 0.03002 mW/cm^2. This value represents 3.002% of the Maximum Permissible Emission (MPE) standard of 1 milliwatt per square centimeter (mW/cm^2) set forth in the FCC/ANSI/IEEE C95.1-1991. Furthermore, the proposed antenna location for T-Mobile will not interfere with existing public safety communications, AM or FM radio broadcasts, TV, Police Communications, HAM Radio communications or any other signals in the area.

The combined Power Density from other carriers is 24.03%. The combined Power Density for the site is 27.032% of the M.P.E. standard.

New England Market Connecticut Worst Case Power Density		T ··Mobile∗
	Site:	CT11503A
Site Add	dress:	14 Thompson Hill Road
	Town:	Columbia, CT06237
Tower H	leiaht:	180 ft.
Tower		Monopole
Base Station TX		18 W
Number of ch		8
Antenna	Model	EMS RR90-17-02DP
Cal	le Size	1 5/8 in.
Cable	Length	170 ft.
Antenna	Height	160.0 ft.
Ground Ref	lection	1.6
Fred	quency	1935.0 MHz
Jumper & Connect	or loss	1.00 dB
Antenr	na Gain	16.5 dBi
Cable Loss p	er foot	0.0116 dB
Total Cab	e Loss	1.9720 dB
Total Atter		2.9720 dB
Total EIRP per C	hannel	56.08 dBm
The Afficial Control of the Control	Watts)	405.58 W
Total EIRP per		65.11 dBm
	Watts)	3244.61 W
	nsg	13.5280
Power Densit		0.030015 mW/cm^2
Voicestream Worst Case %		3.0015%
Equation Used: $S = \frac{(1000)(grf)^2(Power)^4 1}{4 \pi (R)^2}$	0 (ns g/10)	
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Co-Location Total		
Carrier	% of Standard	
Verizon	6.5700 %	
Cingular		
Sprint PCS	4.7000 %	
AT&T Wireless	7.6600 %	
Nextel	5.1000 %	
Total Excluding Voicestream	24.0300 %	
Voicestream Total % MPE for Site	3.0015 27.0315%	