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RE: TS-CING-034-210204 – New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (AT&T) request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 15 Great Pasture Road, Danbury, Connecticut.

Dear Ms. Iliades:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) received the tower share request for the above-referenced 119-foot telecommunications facility on February 4, 2021. The Council hereby denies your request to share the above-referenced existing telecommunications facility, pursuant to Section 16-50j-90 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies (RCSA).

According to Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies (RCSA) Section 16-50j-90, “no tower share application shall be approved until a complete application containing all information deemed relevant by the Council has been filed. Relevant information shall at a minimum include that listed in Section 16-50j-89 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies...”

Staff has reviewed this tower share request for completeness and has identified a deficiency in compliance with the criteria set forth in Conn. Gen. Stat. §16-50aa. The tower share request dated January 29, 2021 states, “AT&T intends to install a **20’ monopole tower extension to the top of the existing monopole.**” Furthermore, the request indicates that the existing tower is 119-feet and AT&T intends to install equipment on the **extended tower** at the 140-foot mount level.”

It is evident that AT&T is requesting to extend the height of the tower to install telecommunications equipment. This request to extend the height of an existing tower is not consistent with the criteria set forth in Conn. Gen. Stat. §16-50aa and RCSA 16-50j-89. Such a request is properly submitted to the Council in the form of a petition for a declaratory ruling.

Therefore, this request does not qualify as a tower share request and it is hereby rejected on that basis. The Council recommends that AT&T submit a petition for declaratory ruling.

Sincerely,

s/ Melanie A. Bachman

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Executive Director

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