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Re: Notice of Exempt Modification – Facility Modification 56 Floydville Road, East Granby, Connecticut

Dear Ms. Bachman:

Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless ("Cellco") currently maintains twelve (12) antennas at the 117-foot level of the existing 120-foot tower at 56 Floydville Road in East Granby. The tower is owned by SBA. The Council approved Cellco's shared use of this tower in 2002. Cellco now intends to replace one (1) of its existing antennas with one (1) model BXA-70063-6CF LTE antenna at the same height on the tower. Attached behind <u>Tab 1</u> are the specifications for the replacement antenna.

Please accept this letter as notification pursuant to R.C.S.A. § 16-50j-73, for construction that constitutes an exempt modification pursuant to R.C.S.A. § 16-50j-72(b)(2). In accordance with R.C.S.A. § 16-50j-73, a copy of this letter is being sent to James M. Hayden, East Granby's First Selectman. A copy of this letter is also being sent to D I Paine and Son's LLC, the owner of the property on which the tower is located.

The planned modifications to the facility fall squarely within those activities explicitly provided for in R.C.S.A. § 16-50j-72(b)(2).

1. The proposed modifications will not result in an increase in the height of the existing tower. Cellco's replacement antenna will be located at the 117-foot level of the existing 120-foot tower.



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- 2. The proposed modifications will not involve any change to ground-mounted equipment and, therefore, will not require the extension of the site boundary.
- 3. The proposed modifications will not increase noise levels at the facility by six decibels or more, or to levels that exceed state and local criteria.
- 4. The operation of the replacement antennas will not increase radio frequency (RF) emissions at the facility to a level at or above the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) safety standard. A cumulative General Power Density table for Cellco's modified facility is included behind <u>Tab 2</u>.
- 5. The proposed modifications will not cause a change or alteration in the physical or environmental characteristics of the site.
- 6. The tower and its foundation can support Cellco's proposed antenna modifications. (*See* Structural Analysis attached behind <u>Tab 3</u>). Contrary to recommendation number 1 on page 3 of the Structural Analysis, Cellco does not intend to install any new coax cables as a part of this modification proposal.

For the foregoing reasons, Cellco respectfully submits that the proposed modifications to the above-referenced telecommunications facility constitutes an exempt modification under R.C.S.A. § 16-50j-72(b)(2).

Sincerely,

Kenneth C. Baldwin

Enclosures Copy to:

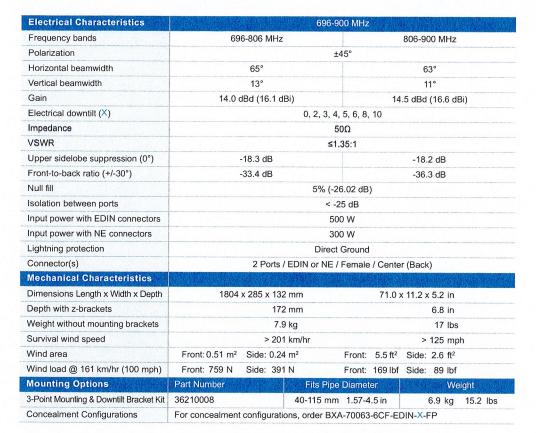
James M. Hayden, East Granby First Selectman D I Paine and Son's LLC Sandy M. Carter





### BXA-70063-6CF-EDIN-X

### X-Pol | FET Panel | 63° | 14.5 dBd

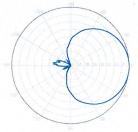


#### Replace "X" with desired electrical downtill.

Antenna is also available with NE connector(s). Replace "EDIN" with "NE" in the model number when ordering.



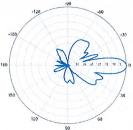
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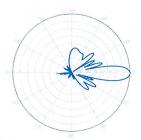
Horizontal | 750 MHz



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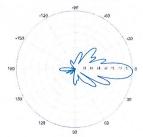


0° | Vertical | 750 MHz

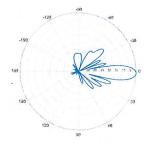


0° | Vertical | 850 MHz

BXA-70063-6CF-EDIN-2



2° | Vertical | 750 MHz



2° | Vertical | 850 MHz

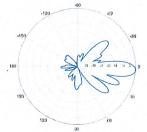
Quoted performance parameters are provided to offer typical or range values only and may vary as a result of normal manufacturing and operational conditions. Extreme operational conditions and/or stress on structural supports is beyond our control. Such conditions may result in damage to this product. Improvements to product may be made without notice.



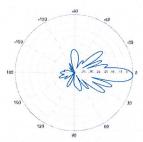
### BXA-70063-6CF-EDIN-X

### X-Pol | FET Panel | 63° | 14.5 dBd

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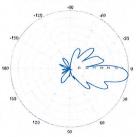


3° | Vertical | 750 MHz

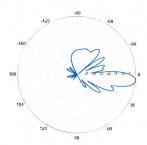


3° | Vertical | 850 MHz

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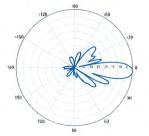


6° | Vertical | 750 MHz

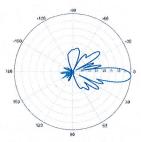


6° | Vertical | 850 MHz

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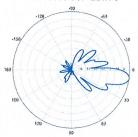


4° | Vertical | 750 MHz

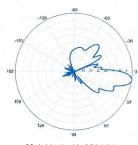


4° | Vertical | 850 MHz

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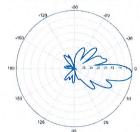


8° | Vertical | 750 MHz

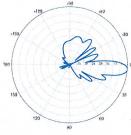


8° | Vertical | 850 MHz

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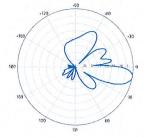


5° | Vertical | 750 MHz



5° | Vertical | 850 MHz

### BXA-70063-6CF-EDIN-10



10° | Vertical | 750 MHz



10° | Vertical | 850 MHz

|                               | General    | Power     | Density |        |       |                  |          |        |
|-------------------------------|------------|-----------|---------|--------|-------|------------------|----------|--------|
| Site Name: East Granby 2      |            |           |         |        |       |                  |          |        |
| Tower Height: Verizon @ 117ft | 7ft        |           |         |        |       |                  |          |        |
|                               |            |           |         | CALC.  |       | MAX.             |          |        |
| CARRIER                       | # OF CHAN. | WATTS ERP | HEIGHT  | POWER  | FREQ. | PEKMISS.<br>EXP. | FKACTION | Total  |
| *Voicestream                  | 8          | 238       | 107     | 0.0598 | 1935  | 1.0000           | 5.98%    |        |
| *Pocket (now MetroPCS)        | 3          | 631       | 26      | 0.0723 | 2130  | 1.0000           | 7.23%    |        |
| *AT&T UMTS                    | 2          | 595       | 87      | 0.0537 | 880   | 0.5867           | 9.15%    |        |
| AT&T UMTS                     | 2          | 875       | 28      | 0.0831 | 1900  | 1.0000           | 8.31%    |        |
| *AT&T GSM                     | 1          | 283       | 87      | 0.0134 | 880   | 0.5867           | 2.29%    |        |
| *AT&T GSM                     | 4          | 525       | 87      | 0.0998 | 1900  | 1.0000           | 86.6     |        |
| *AT&T LTE                     | 1          | 1615      | 28      | 0.0767 | 734   | 0.4893           | 15.68%   |        |
| Verizon PCS                   | 11         | 265       | 117     | 0.0766 | 1970  | 1.0000           | %99.2    |        |
| Verizon Cellular              | 6          | 267       | 117     | 0.0631 | 698   | 0.5793           | 10.90%   |        |
| Verizon AWS                   | 1          | 1750      | 117     | 0.0460 | 2145  | 1.0000           | 4.60%    |        |
| Verizon 700                   | •          | 870       | 117     | 0.0229 | 869   | 0.4653           | 4.91%    |        |
|                               |            |           |         |        |       |                  |          | 86.68% |
| * Source: Siting Council      |            |           |         |        |       |                  |          |        |
|                               |            |           |         |        |       |                  |          |        |
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# Structural Analysis for SBA Network Services, Inc.

120' Monopole Tower

SBA Site Name: East Granby SBA Site ID: CT03801-S-01 Verizon Site Name: East Granby 2

FDH Project Number 1332021400

**Analysis Results** 

| Tower Components | 54.8% | Sufficient |
|------------------|-------|------------|
| Foundation       | 39.2% | Sufficient |

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May 17, 2013

TIA/EIA-222-F Structural Standards for Steel Antenna Towers and Antenna Supporting Structures and the 2005 Connecticut Building Code (CBC)

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### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

At the request of SBA Network Services, Inc., FDH Engineering, Inc. performed a structural analysis of the monopole located in East Granby, CT to determine whether the tower is structurally adequate to support both the existing and proposed loads pursuant to the *Structural Standards for Steel Antenna Towers and Antenna Supporting Structures, TIA/EIA-222-F* and the 2005 Connecticut State Building Code (CBC). Information pertaining to the existing/proposed antenna loading, current tower geometry, foundation dimensions, geotechnical data, and member sizes was obtained from:

| PiRod, Inc. (Eng File No. A-118413-1) original design drawings dated June 13, 2001     |
|--|
| PiRod, Inc. (Eng File No. A-118413-1) Tower Calculations dated June 14, 2001           |
| Jaworski Geotech, Inc. (Project No. 00729G) Geotechnical Evaluation dated May 11, 2001 |
| SBA Network Services, Inc.   |

The basic design wind speed per the TIA/EIA-222-F standards and the 2005 CBC is 105 mph without ice and 50 mph with 1" radial ice. Ice is considered to increase in thickness with height.

### Conclusions

With the existing and proposed antennas from Verizon in place at 117 ft, the tower meets the requirements of the *TIA/EIA-222-F* standards and the *2005 CBC* provided the **Recommendations** listed below are satisfied. Furthermore, provided the foundation was designed and constructed to support the original design reactions (see PiRod Eng File No. A-118413-1), the foundation should have the necessary capacity to support the existing and proposed loading. For a more detailed description of the analysis of the tower, see the **Results** section of this report.

Our structural analysis has been performed assuming all information provided to FDH Engineering, Inc. is accurate (i.e., the steel data, tower layout, existing antenna loading, and proposed antenna loading) and that the tower has been properly erected and maintained per the original design drawings.

### Recommendations

To ensure the requirements of the *TIA/EIA-222-F* standards and the *2005 CBC* are met with the existing and proposed loading in place, we have the following recommendations:

- 1. The proposed coax should be installed inside the pole's shaft.
- 2. The existing TMAs should be installed directly behind the existing/proposed panel antennas.

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### **APPURTENANCE LISTING**

The proposed and existing antennas with their corresponding cables/coax lines are shown in **Table 1**. If the actual layout determined in the field deviates from the layout, FDH Engineering, Inc. should be contacted to perform a revised analysis.

Table 1 - Appurtenance Loading

### **Existing Loading:**

| Antenna<br>Elevation<br>(ft) | Description   | Coax and<br>Lines <sup>1</sup>                          | Carrier  | Mount<br>Elevation<br>(ft) | Mount Type                                     |
|------------------------------|---|---|----------|----------------------------|--|
| 117                          | (3) Antel BXA-70063/4CF<br>(6) Antel LPA-80080/4CF-EDIN<br>(6) Antel LPA-171080/8CF-EDIN<br>(6) RFS FD9R6004/2C-3L Diplexers    | (12) 1-5/8"   | Verizon  | 117                        | (1) Low Profile Platform                       |
| 107                          | 107 (3) Thales P65Q56NS2B (3) Remec TMAs  |   | T-Mobile | 107                        | (1) Low Profile Platform                       |
| 97                           | (3) Kathrein 742 213  | (6) 1-5/8"  | Pocket   | 97                         | Flush  |
| 88                           | (6) Friceson RRUS 11 RRUS   |   |          | 88                         | (1) Universal Ring Mount (Valmont Part # LWRM) |
| 87                           | (6) Powerwave 7770.00<br>(3) Powerwave P65-17-XLH-RR<br>(6) Powerwave TT19-08BP111-001 TMAs<br>(6) Powerwave LGP21903 Diplexers | Conduit<br>(1) FB-L98B-<br>002<br>(2) WR-<br>VG86ST-BRD | AT&T     | 87                         | (1) Low Profile Platform                       |

<sup>1.</sup> Coax installed inside the pole's shaft unless otherwise noted.

### **Proposed Loading:**

| Antenna<br>Elevation<br>(ft) | Description   | Coax and<br>Lines | Carrier | Mount<br>Elevation<br>(ft) | Mount Type               |
|------------------------------|---|-------------------|---------|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 117                          | (1) Antel BXA-70063/6CF<br>(2) Antel BXA-70063/4CF<br>(6) Antel LPA-80080/4CF-EDIN<br>(6) Antel LPA-171080/8CF-EDIN<br>(6) RFS FD9R6004/2C-3L Diplexers | (12) 1-5/8"       | Verizon | 117                        | (1) Low Profile Platform |

### **RESULTS**

The following yield strength of steel for individual members was used for analysis:

Table 2 - Material Strength

| Member Type          | Yield Strength |
|----------------------|----------------|
| Tower Shaft Sections | 65 ksi         |
| Base Plate           | 50 ksi         |
| Anchor Bolts         | 105 ksi        |

**Table 3** displays the summary of the ratio (as a percentage) of force in the member to their capacities. Values greater than 100% indicate locations where the maximum force in the member exceeds its capacity. *Note: Capacities up to 100% are considered acceptable.* **Table 4** displays the maximum foundation reactions.

If the assumptions outlined in this report differ from actual field conditions, FDH Engineering, Inc. should be contacted to perform a revised analysis. Furthermore, as no information pertaining to the allowable twist and sway requirements for the existing or proposed appurtenances was provided, deflection and rotation were not taken into consideration when performing this analysis.

See the **Appendix** for detailed modeling information.

Table 3 - Summary of Working Percentage of Structural Components

| Section<br>No. | Elevation<br>ft | Component<br>Type | Size                    | % Capacity | Pass<br>Fail |
|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------------|------------|--------------|
| L1             | 120 - 98.5      | Pole              | TP34.0625x24.25x0.3125  | 6.5        | Pass         |
| L2             | 98.5 - 64.8333  | Pole              | TP41.75x31.688x0.375    | 19.4       | Pass         |
| L3             | 64.8333 - 32    | Pole              | TP49.0625x39.7478x0.375 | 30.1       | Pass         |
| L4             | 32 - 0          | Pole              | TP56.125x46.9463x0.375  | 37.8       | Pass         |
|                |                 | Anchor Bolts      | (39) 1.25"Ø w/ BC = 61" | 35.3       | Pass         |
|                |                 | Base Plate        | 65"Ø x 1.5" thk.        | 54.8       | Pass         |

Table 4 - Maximum Base Reactions

| Base Reactions | Current Analysis<br>(TIA/EIA-222-F) | Original Design<br>(TIA/EIA-222-F) |
|----------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Axial          | 33 k                                | 37 k                               |
| Shear          | 18 k                                | 37 k                               |
| Moment         | 1,457 k-ft                          | 3,719 k-ft                         |

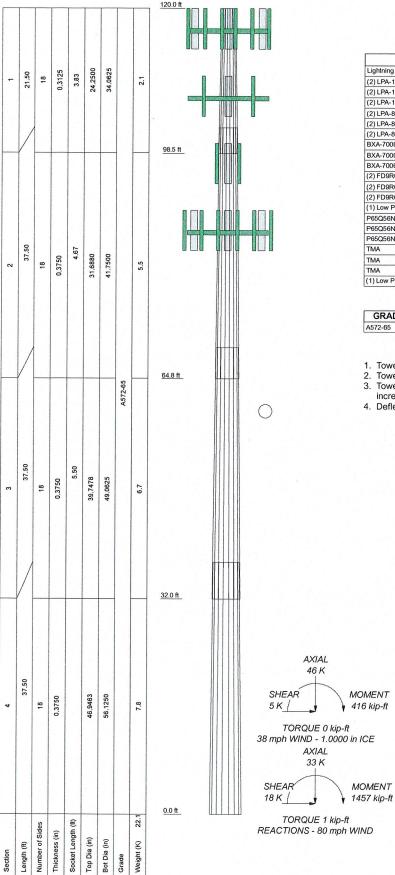
### **GENERAL COMMENTS**

This engineering analysis is based upon the theoretical capacity of the structure. It is not a condition assessment of the tower and its foundation. It is the responsibility of SBA Network Services, Inc. to verify that the tower modeled and analyzed is the correct structure (with accurate antenna loading information) modeled. If there are substantial modifications to be made or the assumptions made in this analysis are not accurate, FDH Engineering, Inc. should be notified immediately to perform a revised analysis.

### LIMITATIONS

All opinions and conclusions are considered accurate to a reasonable degree of engineering certainty based upon the evidence available at the time of this report. All opinions and conclusions are subject to revision based upon receipt of new or additional/updated information. All services are provided exercising a level of care and diligence equivalent to the standard and care of our profession. No other warranty or guarantee, expressed or implied, is offered. Our services are confidential in nature and we will not release this report to any other party without the client's consent. The use of this engineering work is limited to the express purpose for which it was commissioned and it may not be reused, copied, or distributed for any other purpose without the written consent of FDH Engineering, Inc.

### **APPENDIX**



### **DESIGNED APPURTENANCE LOADING**

| TYPE                             | ELEVATION | TYPE                           | ELEVATION |
|----------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-----------|
| Lightning Rod                    | 120       | 742 213 w/ Mount Pipe          | 97        |
| (2) LPA-171080/8CF w/ Mount Pipe | 117       | 742 213 w/ Mount Pipe          | 97        |
| (2) LPA-171080/8CF w/ Mount Pipe | 117       | 742 213 w/ Mount Pipe          | 97        |
| (2) LPA-171080/8CF w/ Mount Pipe | 117       | (2) RRUS-11                    | 88        |
| (2) LPA-80080/4CF W/Mount Pipe   | 117       | (2) RRUS-11                    | 88        |
| (2) LPA-80080/4CF W/Mount Pipe   | 117       | (2) RRUS-11                    | 88        |
| (2) LPA-80080/4CF W/Mount Pipe   | 117       | DC2-48-60-18-8F Surge Arrestor | 88        |
| BXA-70063/4CF W/ Mount Pipe      | 117       | Ring Mount                     | 88        |
| BXA-70063/4CF W/ Mount Pipe      | 117       | (2) LGP21903 Diplexer          | 87        |
| BXA-70063/6CF w/Mount Pipe       | 117       | (2) LGP21903 Diplexer          | 87        |
| (2) FD9R6004/2C-3L Diplexer      | 117       | (2) LGP21903 Diplexer          | 87        |
| (2) FD9R6004/2C-3L Diplexer      | 117       | (1) Low Profile Platform mnt   | 87        |
| (2) FD9R6004/2C-3L Diplexer      | 117       | P65-17-XLH-RR w/Mount Pipe     | 87        |
| (1) Low Profile Platform mnt     | 117       | P65-17-XLH-RR w/Mount Pipe     | 87        |
| P65Q56NS2B w/ Mount Pipe         | 107       | P65-17-XLH-RR w/Mount Pipe     | 87        |
| P65Q56NS2B w/ Mount Pipe         | 107       | (2) TT19-08BP111-001 TMA       | 87        |
| P65Q56NS2B w/ Mount Pipe         | 107       | (2) TT19-08BP111-001 TMA       | 87        |
| TMA                              | 107       | (2) TT19-08BP111-001 TMA       | 87        |
| TMA                              | 107       | (2) 7770.00 w/Mount Pipe       | 87        |
| TMA                              | 107       | (2) 7770.00 w/Mount Pipe       | 87        |
| (1) Low Profile Platform mnt     | 107       | (2) 7770.00 w/Mount Pipe       | 87        |

MATERIAL STRENGTH

| GRADE   | Fy     | Fu     | GRADE | Fy | Fu |
|---------|--------|--------|-------|----|----|
| A572-65 | 65 ksi | 80 ksi |       |    |    |

### **TOWER DESIGN NOTES**

- 1. Tower is located in Hartford County, Connecticut.
- Tower designed for a 80 mph basic wind in accordance with the TIA/EIA-222-F Standard. Tower is also designed for a 38 mph basic wind with 1.00 in ice. Ice is considered to increase in thickness with height.
- 4. Deflections are based upon a 50 mph wind.

