



STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
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**VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL**

August 11, 2022

The Honorable David Bindelglass  
First Selectman  
Town of Easton  
225 Center Road  
Easton, CT 06612  
[dbindelglass@eastonct.gov](mailto:dbindelglass@eastonct.gov)

RE: **EM-T-MOBILE-046-220804** - T-Mobile notice of intent to modify an existing telecommunications facility located at 275 North Street, Easton, Connecticut.

Dear First Selectman Bindelglass:

Pursuant to the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies (RCSA) §16-50j-72, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of a request to modify an existing telecommunications facility located in the Town of Easton (Town). In accordance with RCSA §16-50j-73, on August 4, 2022, written notice of the intent to modify the existing telecommunications facility was provided to the Council, the property owner of record and the chief elected official of the municipality in which the existing telecommunications facility is located.

The above-referenced request for exempt modification may be accessed on the Council's website at the following link: [https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/CSC/2\\_EMS-medialibrary/Easton/NorthSt/T\\_Mobile/em-t-mobile-046-220804\\_filing\\_NorthSt.pdf](https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/CSC/2_EMS-medialibrary/Easton/NorthSt/T_Mobile/em-t-mobile-046-220804_filing_NorthSt.pdf).

The Council is also in receipt of correspondence from the Town dated August 8, 2022 concerning the above-referenced request for an exempt modification. Thank you for taking the time to provide the Council with your comments.

Although the Town has enacted a moratorium on the use of 5G in Easton, the moratorium does not apply to telecommunications facilities that are exclusively jurisdictional to the Council, such as the existing telecommunications facility located at 275 North Street. Under the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) 2018 Third Report and Order and Declaratory Ruling, moratoria prohibit or have the effect of prohibiting the provision of telecommunications service in violation of the Telecommunications Act by halting the acceptance, processing or approval of applications or permits for such services or the facilities used to provide such services. The Council is preempted by FCC from denying a request for an exempt modification that complies with FCC and Council regulations.

Before making a final decision on a request for an exempt modification, the Council carefully considers the request in accordance with the criteria under RCSA §16-50j-72. Entities requesting an exempt modification for an existing telecommunications facility must demonstrate that the proposal is consistent with the criteria, including, but not limited to, changes on an 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 FCC; 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 in this matter. Should you have any further questions or comments regarding the above-referenced request, please feel free to call me at 860-827-2951 or submit written comments to the Council by August 29, 2022.

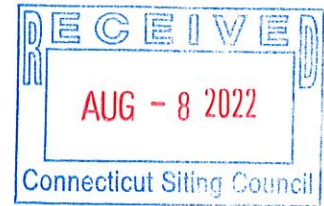
Sincerely,

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Melanie A. Bachman  
Executive Director

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c: Council Members  
Mark Richard, T-Mobile



## ***Town of Easton***

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August 4, 2022

Melanie A. Bachman, Esq.  
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ORIGINAL

Dear Ms. Bachman,

I am in receipt of the copy of the application from Northeast Site Solutions for an application by T-Mobile to modify our North St. tower, in Easton, Site # CT00707-S\_CT11243A\_SBA/T-Mobile. The application includes modification of hardware to become 5G capable. I know you are aware of this but, I do want to reiterate that the Town of Easton has enacted a moratorium on the use of 5G in Easton.

As always, I appreciate your willingness to work with us on this sensitive matter.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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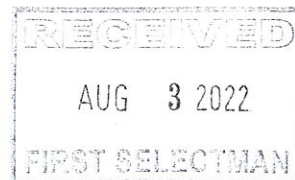
David Bindelglass  
First Selectman

DB/gf  
Attachment



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July 29, 2022

Members of the Siting Council  
Connecticut Siting Council  
Ten Franklin Square  
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RE: Exempt Modification Application  
197 North Street, Easton, CT 06612  
Latitude: 41.316488  
Longitude: -73.313566  
Site #: CT00707-S\_CT11243A\_SBA/T-Mobile

Dear Ms. Bachman:

T-Mobile is requesting to file an exempt modification for an existing tower located 197 North Street (a/k/a 275 North Street), Easton, CT 06612. T-Mobile currently maintains six (6) antennas at the 185-foot level of the existing 185-foot monopine tower. The property is owned by the Town of Easton, and the tower is owned by SBA. T-Mobile now intends to replace three (3) antennas and add three (3) antennas. The new antennas would be installed at the 185-foot level of the tower. This modification includes B2, B5 hardware that is both 4G (LTE), and 5G capable. The existing antenna mounts will be replaced per the attached TES Mount Analysis dated July 14, 2022.

**Remove:**

- (3) ERICSSON 4415 B25 RRU
- (3) ERICSSON 4415 B66A RRU
- (3) COAX – 1-5/8"

**Remove and Replace:**

- (3) RFS APX16DWV-16DWVS-E-A20 Antennas (REMOVE) - (3) ERICSSON AIR6449 B41 Antennas (REPLACE)

**Install New:**

- (3) COMMScope VV-65B-R1 Antennas
- (3) ERICSSON 4460 B25+B66 RRU
- (2) Hybrid Line – 1.9"

**Existing to Remain:**

- (3) RFS APXVAALL24\_43-U\_NA20 Antennas
- (3) ERICSSON 4449 B71+B85 RRU
- (1) Fiber Line – 1-5/8"
- (2) Fiber Line – 1-5/8" \*
- (6) ALLEN Telecom TMA's \*
- (3) KATHREIN Bias T-s \*
- (6) COAX – 1-5/8" \*

\*Equipment shown for entitlement purposes only



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The facility was approved by the Town of Easton Planning & Zoning Commission on June 28, 1999. Please see attached.

Please accept this letter as notification pursuant to Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies § 16-SOj-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-SOj-73, a copy of this letter is being sent to David Bindelglass, First Selectman and Mark DeLiato, Zoning Enforcement Officer for the Town of Easton, as well as the property owner and the tower owner.

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 structure.
2. The proposed modifications 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 emissions at the facility to a level at or above the Federal Communications Commission safety standard.
5. The proposed modifications will not cause a change or alteration in the physical or environmental characteristics of the site.
6. The existing structure and its foundation can support the proposed loading.

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

Sincerely,

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