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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

September 14, 2022

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RE: EM-AT&T-089-220711 – AT&T notice of intent to modify an existing telecommunications facility located at 723 Farmington Avenue, New Britain, Connecticut.

Dear Kristina Cottone:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) hereby denies your request to modify the above-referenced existing telecommunications facility, pursuant to Section 16-50j-73 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

This exempt modification request was submitted to the Council on July 11, 2022. Council staff reviewed this request for completeness and had identified deficiencies that were more fully described in a notice of incompleteness letter to Smartlink, LLC dated August 17, 2022 (attached), and recommended that AT&T provide a structural analysis, a mount analysis and construction drawings that are in compliance with the Council's Docket No. 303 Decision and Order on or before September 13, 2022.

To date the Council has not received the requested information. Thus, the proposed modification is not in compliance with the exemption criteria in Section 16-50j-72 (b) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies and is hereby denied.

Sincerely,

Melanie Bachman
Executive Director

Enclosure: Incomplete filing letter dated August 17, 2022

c: The Honorable Erin Stewart, Mayor, City of New Britain, Mayor@NewBritainCT.gov



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Dear Ms. Cottone:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) received a notice of intent to modify the above-referenced facility on July 11, 2022.

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 filing. The proposed antenna mount that is not compliant with the Council's Decision and Order for Docket No. 303 dated June 28, 2005. Condition No. 2 of the above referenced Decision and Order states "Panel antennas shall be installed on the monopole using a flush or T-arm mounting configuration." The exempt modification request indicates that AT&T intends to install its equipment on a platform antenna mount. This is not in compliance with the Council's condition of approval.

Therefore, the exempt modification request is incomplete at this time. The Council recommends that AT&T provide a structural analysis, a mount analysis and construction drawings that are in compliance with the Council's condition of approval on or before September 13, 2022 or submit a motion to reopen Docket No. 303 to modify the condition requiring T-arm or flush mounts for antennas on the subject tower. If additional time is needed to gather the requested information, please submit a written request for an extension of time prior to September 13, 2022. **Please provide an electronic version and one hard copy of the requested information for the incomplete tower share filing to be rendered complete and processed. Please include the Council's tower share identification number referenced above with the submittal.**

This notice of incompleteness 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,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Melanie A. Bachman". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Melanie A. Bachman
Executive Director

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