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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

May 23, 2024

Derek Maheux Centerline Communications 750 West Center Street, Suite 301 West Bridgwater, MA Dmaheux@clinellc.com

RE: **EM-VER-057-240424** - Cellco Partnership dba Verizon Wireless notice of intent to modify an existing telecommunications facility located at 36 Ritch Avenue, Greenwich, Connecticut. **Notice**

of Incomplete Request.

Dear Derek Maheux:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) received a notice of intent to modify the above-referenced facility on April 24, 2024.

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 radio frequency analysis.

On September 23, 2022, the Council issued a memorandum to telecommunications industry representatives requiring a cumulative far-field Radio Frequency Power Density Analysis to be provided with all telecommunications exempt modification requests. The radio frequency emissions report dated April 19, 2022 provided with the response does not include a far-field analysis. A copy of the memorandum is available on the Council's website at the following link: 20220923-farfieldmemo_final.pdf (ct.gov).

Additionally, the radio frequency emissions report does not include Dish Wireless antennas that were approved by the Council on September 30, 2022, in TS-DISH-057-220802.

Therefore, the exempt modification request is incomplete at this time. The Council recommends that Verizon provide an RF Analysis including a rigorous cumulative far-field analysis for all entities located on the tower that accounts for a 6-foot tall person and the actual antenna pattern for the proposed modifications to the facility with a cumulative %MPE at or below 100, on or before June 24, 2024. If additional time is needed to gather the requested information, please submit a written request for an extension of time prior to June 24, 2024. Please provide an electronic version and one hard copy of the requested information for the incomplete exempt modification to be rendered complete and processed. Please include the Council's exempt modification identification number referenced above with the submittal.

This notice of incompletion 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,

Melanie Bachman **Executive Director**

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