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#### VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

December 1, 2020

Victoria Masse Northeast Site Solutions 42 Main Street, Unit 2 Sturbridge, MA 01566

RE: **TS-T-MOBILE-062-201117** – T-Mobile request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 796 Woodin Street, Hamden, Connecticut.

Dear Ms. Masse:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) received the tower share request for the above-referenced facility on November 17, 2020.

According to Section 16-50j-90 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, "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 the request. The construction drawings provided with the request references a mount analysis (MA) prepared by Hudson Design Group, LLC and dated October 23, 2020. However, no mount analysis has been provided with the request: therefore, it is unclear whether the proposed antenna mount can support the proposed loading.

Also, the exempt modification request lacks a description of the wireless services to be provided, including, but not limited to, any 5G services and those frequencies associated with 5G services as stated in the Council's memorandum to Telecommunications Industry Representatives dated October 26, 2020 (attached).

Therefore, the tower share request is incomplete at this time. The Council recommends that Northeast Site Solutions provide a passing (<100%) mount analysis that is stamped and signed by a Professional Engineer licensed in the State of Connecticut and a statement clarifying if 5G services or frequencies associated with 5G services are part of the proposed modifications, on or before January 4, 2021. If additional time is needed to gather the requested information, please submit a written request for an extension of time prior to January 4, 2021. Please provide an electronic version of the requested information for the incomplete tower share request to be rendered complete and processed. Please include the Council's tower share 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,

s/Melanie A. Bachman

Melanie Bachman Executive Director

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## VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

October 26, 2020

TO: Telecommunications Industry Representatives

FROM: Melanie A. Bachman, Executive Director MAB

RE: Exempt Modification/Tower Share Filings

Pursuant to Section 16-50aa of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) shall issue an order approving shared use of a telecommunications facility if the proposed shared use of the facility is technically, legally, environmentally and economically feasible and meets public safety concerns.

Pursuant to Section 16-50j-72(b)(2) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, changes on an existing telecommunications tower site that meet the regulatory criteria shall not constitute a modification.

The Council is receiving inquiries from the municipalities and the public as to whether the equipment associated with requests for tower sharing and/or exempt modifications will provide 5G services.

Effective immediately, the Council hereby requests that a description of the wireless services to be provided by a proposed equipment installation, including, but not limited to, any 5G services and those frequencies associated with 5G services, be specifically identified in requests for tower sharing and requests for exempt modifications.

Pursuant to Sections 16-50j-39a and 16-50j-90, no request shall be approved until a complete submission containing all information deemed relevant by the Council has been filed.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.