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RE: TS-CING-072-190430 – New Cingular Wireless request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 581 Colonel Ledyard Highway, Ledyard, Connecticut

Dear Attorney Chiocchio:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) received the tower share request for the above-referenced facility on April 30, 2019.

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 the following deficiencies in the Construction Drawing (CD) prepared by Fullerton Engineering and last revised April 26, 2019:

- a. Sheet T-1 of the CD references the 2012 International Building Code (IBC) and the 2018 Connecticut State Building Code (CSBC). This is inconsistent with the 2015 IBC as amended in the 2018 CSBC;
- b. The above referenced document references the 2014 National Electrical Code. This is inconsistent with the 2017 National Electrical Code as adopted in the 2018 CSBC;
- c. The diagram titled "Elevation A" on sheet C-5 of the CD, shows a generator labeled with a 54 gallon fuel tank. This is inconsistent with the generator specifications shown on sheet C-6 of the CD, which indicates a 105 gallon base tank.

Also, the Structural Analysis Report provided with the request dated March 11, 2019 and prepared by Fullerton Engineering is not stamped and signed by a Professional Engineer registered in the State of Connecticut.

In addition, the above referenced tower share request lacks proof that the entire request was physically mailed to the underlying property owner, the chief elected official of the host municipality and the respective Planning and Zoning Department.

Therefore, the tower share request is incomplete at this time. The Council recommends that Cuddy & Feder provide clarification on the capacity of the generator fuel tank, the National Electrical Code and the International Building Code referenced above, a SA that is stamped and signed by a Professional Engineer registered in the State of Connecticut and proof of proper notice of this tower share request to the underlying property owner, the chief elected official of the host municipality and the respective Planning and Zoning Department, on or before May 31, 2019. If additional time is needed to gather the requested information, please submit a written request for an extension of time prior to May 31, 2019. Please provide an electronic version and fifteen hard copies of the response for the incomplete request to be rendered complete and processed.

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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c: Council Members