

## STATE OF CONNECTICUT

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## VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

February 25, 2022

Eric Breun Transcend Wireless 10 Industrial Avenue, Suite 3 Mahwah, New Jersey ebreun@transcendwireles.com

**RE:** TS-T-MOBILE-077-220128 - T-Mobile request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 595 Keeney Street, Manchester, Connecticut.

**EM-T-MOBILE-077-220128** – T-Mobile notice of intent to modify an existing telecommunications facility located at 595 Keeney Street, Manchester, Connecticut.

Dear Mr. Breun:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) received the request for an order to approve tower sharing on a replacement electric transmission line structure located at the above-referenced address in Manchester on January 28, 2022.

Please be advised that the electric transmission line structure located at 595 Keeney Street in Manchester is not a "telecommunications facility" to which a tower share request applies. The principal use of the structure is for electric transmission. In addition to telecommunications facilities, the Council has exclusive jurisdiction over electric transmission facilities throughout the state. Under other circumstances, a request to install telecommunications equipment on an electric transmission line structure would require the submission of a petition for a declaratory ruling. However, those circumstances do not apply here.

The January 28, 2022 tower share request indicates that T-Mobile intends to replace Sprint's existing telecommunications equipment that is installed on the existing electric transmission line structure approved by the Council in Petition No. 713 with its telecommunications equipment that would be installed on the replacement electric transmission line structure approved by the Council in Sub-Petition No. 1293-MGHACL-02.

Considering T-Mobile and Sprint merged, such a request qualifies as a request for an exempt modification rather than a tower share request or petition for a declaratory ruling.

Therefore, this January 28, 2022 tower share request will be processed as an exempt modification request.

The new identification number for the subject request for an exempt modification is EM-T-MOBILE-077-220128 as indicated above.

Thank you for your attention to this very important matter.

Sincerely,

Melanie Bachman Executive Director

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