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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

October 20, 2021

Denise Sabo Northeast Site Solutions 4 Angela's Way Burlington, CT 06013 denise@northeastsitesolutions.com

RE: **EM-VER-080-210917** – Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless notice of intent to modify an existing telecommunications facility located at 450-478 West Main Street, Meriden, Connecticut.

Dear Ms. Sabo:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) received a notice of intent to modify the above-referenced facility on September 17, 2021.

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 request. The cumulative power density information provided in the exempt modification request shows a total percentage of Maximum Permissible Exposure (MPE) of approximately 40.43 percent for Verizon's antennas; however, the percentage of MPE for the existing antennas from carriers on the facility is approximately 77.91 percent, without Verizon's antennas. The cumulative MPE percentage must be at or below 100 percent with all carrier's antennas.

Therefore, the exempt modification request is incomplete at this time. The Council recommends that Northeast Site Solutions provide a cumulative power density analysis including Verizon's proposed antennas in addition to all existing antennas of other wireless carriers documenting an MPE at or below 100 percent on or before November 22, 2021. If additional time is needed to gather the requested information, please submit a written request for an extension of time prior to November 22, 2021. 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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