



September 12, 2016

Melanie A. Bachman Acting Executive Director Connecticut Siting Council 10 Franklin Square New Britain, CT 06051

RE: Request of T-Mobile for an Order to Approve the Shared Use of an Existing Tower at 41 Beckwith Road, Montville, CT 06370

Dear Ms. Bachman:

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes ("C.G.S.") §16-50aa, as amended, T-Mobile hereby requests an order from the Connecticut Siting Council ("Council") to approve the shared use by T-Mobile of an existing telecommunication tower at 41 Beckwith Road in Montville, Connecticut (the "Property"). The existing 180-foot monopole and underlying property is owned by Crown Castle International Corp. ("Crown Castle"). T-Mobile requests that the Council find that the proposed shared use of the Crown Castle tower satisfies the criteria of C.G.S. §16-50aa and issue an order approving the proposed shared us. A copy of this filing is being sent to the Honorable Ronald K. McDaniel.

Background

The existing Crown Castle facility consists of a 180-foot monopole tower on a 10,000 square foot parcel along the northeast side of Beckwith Road. Verizon maintains antennas at the 167-foot level. Equipment associated with the Verizon antennas is located northwest of the tower. Sprint maintains antennas at the 180-foot level. Equipment associated with the Sprint antennas is located east of the tower.

T-Mobile is licensed by the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") to provide wireless services throughout the State of Connecticut. T-Mobile and Crown Castle have agreed to the proposed shared use of the Beckwith Road tower pursuant to mutually acceptable terms and conditions. Likewise, T-Mobile and Crown Castle have agreed to the proposed installation of equipment cabinets on the ground on the north side of the tower. Crown Castle has authorized T-Mobile to apply for all necessary permits and approvals that may be required to share the existing tower. (See Owner's authorization letter).

T-Mobile proposes to install six (6) antennas and six (6) remote radio units installed a height of 175 feet above ground level. T-Mobile will also install one (1) line of 1-5/8" hybrid cable to run inside the existing monopole and a 15'x10' concrete pad with a four (4) equipment cabinet. Included in the Construction Drawings are T-Mobile's project specifications for locations of all proposed site improvements.

- C.G.S. § 16-50aa(c)(1) provides that, upon written request for approval of a proposed shared use, "if the Council finds that het proposed shared use of the facility is technically, legally, environmentally and economically feasible and meets public safety concerns, the council shall issue an order approving such a shared use." T-Mobile respectfully submits that the shared use of the tower satisfies these criteria.
- **A.** <u>Technical Feasibility.</u> The existing Crown Castle tower is structurally capable of supporting T-Mobile's proposed improvements. The prosed shared use of this tower is, therefore, technically feasible. A Feasibility Structural Analysis Report ("Structural Report") prepared for this project confirms that this tower can support T-Mobile's proposed loading. A copy of the Structural Report has been included in this application.
- **B.** <u>Legal Feasibility</u>. Under C.G.S. § 16-50aa, the Council has been authorized to issue order approving the shared use of an existing tower such as the Crown Castle tower. This authority complements the Council's prior-existing authority under C.G.S. § 16-50p to issue orders approving the construction of new towers that are subject to the Council's jurisdiction. In addition, § 16-50x(a) directs the Council to "give such consideration to the other state laws and municipal regulations as it shall deem appropriate" in ruling on requests for the shared use of existing tower facilities. Under the statutory authority vested in the Council, an order by the Council approving the requested shared use would permit the Applicant to obtain a building permit for the proposed installations.
- **C.** <u>Environmental Feasibility</u>. The proposed shared use of the Crown Castle tower would have a minimal environmental effect for the following reasons:
 - 1. The proposed installation of six (6) antennas and six (6) remote radio units, and one (1) hybrid cable with antennas located at the 175-foot level on the existing 180-foot tower would have no visual impact on the area of the tower. T-Mobile's cabinets would be installed within the facility compound. T-Mobile's shared use of this tower therefore, does not cause any significant change or alteration in the physical or environmental characteristics of the existing site.
 - 2. Operation of T-Mobile's antennas at this site would not exceed the RF emissions standard adopted by the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC"). Included in the EME report of this filing are the approximation tables that demonstrate that T-Mobile's proposed facility will operate well within the FCC RF emissions safety standards.
 - 3. Under ordinary operating conditions, the proposed installation would not require the use of any water or sanitary facilities and would not generate air emissions or discharges to water bodies or sanitary facilities. After construction is complete the proposed installations would not generate any increased traffic to the Crown Castle facility other than periodic maintenance. The proposed shared use of the Crown Castle

tower, would, therefore, have a minimal environmental effect, and is environmentally feasible.

- **D.** Economic Feasibility. As previously mentioned, T-Mobile has entered into an agreement with Crown Castle for the shared use of the existing facility subject to mutually agreeable terms. The proposed tower sharing is, therefore, economically feasible. (Please see included authorization.)
- **E.** Public Safety Concerns. As discussed above, the tower is structurally capable of supporting T-Mobile's full array of six (6) antennas, six (6) remote radio units, one (1) hybrid and all related equipment. T-Mobile is not aware of any public safety concerns relative to the proposed sharing of the existing Crown Castle tower.

Conclusion

For the reasons discussed above, the proposed shared use of the existing Crown Castle tower at 41 Beckwith Road satisfies the criteria state in C.G.S. §16-50aa and advances the General Assembly's and the Council's goal of preventing the unnecessary proliferation of towers in Connecticut. The Applicant, therefore, respectfully requests that the Council issue an order approving the prosed shared use.

Sincerely,

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RADIO FREQUENCY EMISSIONS ANALYSIS REPORT EVALUATION OF HUMAN EXPOSURE POTENTIAL TO NON-IONIZING EMISSIONS

T-Mobile Existing Facility

Site ID: CTNH032H

CTNH032H 41 Beckwith Road Montville, CT 06370

September 9, 2016

EBI Project Number: 6216003657

Site Compliance Summary			
Compliance Status:	COMPLIANT		
Site total MPE% of FCC general public allowable limit:	6.61 %		



September 9, 2016

T-Mobile USA Attn: Jason Overbey, RF Manager 35 Griffin Road South Bloomfield, CT 06002

Emissions Analysis for Site: CTNH032H - CTNH032H

EBI Consulting was directed to analyze the proposed T-Mobile facility located at **41 Beckwith Road**, **Montville**, **CT**, for the purpose of determining whether the emissions from the Proposed T-Mobile Antenna Installation located on this property are within specified federal limits.

All information used in this report was analyzed as a percentage of current Maximum Permissible Exposure (% MPE) as listed in the FCC OET Bulletin 65 Edition 97-01and ANSI/IEEE Std C95.1. The FCC regulates Maximum Permissible Exposure in units of microwatts per square centimeter (μ W/cm²). The number of μ W/cm² calculated at each sample point is called the power density. The exposure limit for power density varies depending upon the frequencies being utilized. Wireless Carriers and Paging Services use different frequency bands each with different exposure limits, therefore it is necessary to report results and limits in terms of percent MPE rather than power density.

All results were compared to the FCC (Federal Communications Commission) radio frequency exposure rules, 47 CFR 1.1307(b)(1) - (b)(3), to determine compliance with the Maximum Permissible Exposure (MPE) limits for General Population/Uncontrolled environments as defined below.

General population/uncontrolled exposure limits apply to situations in which the general public may be exposed or in which persons who are exposed as a consequence of their employment may not be made fully aware of the potential for exposure or cannot exercise control over their exposure. Therefore, members of the general public would always be considered under this category when exposure is not employment related, for example, in the case of a telecommunications tower that exposes persons in a nearby residential area.

Public exposure to radio frequencies is regulated and enforced in units of microwatts per square centimeter (μ W/cm²). The general population exposure limit for the 700 MHz Band is approximately 467 μ W/cm², and the general population exposure limit for the 1900 MHz (PCS) and 2100 MHz (AWS) bands is 1000 μ W/cm². Because each carrier will be using different frequency bands, and each frequency band has different exposure limits, it is necessary to report percent of MPE rather than power density.



Occupational/controlled exposure limits apply to situations in which persons are exposed as a consequence of their employment and in which those persons who are exposed have been made fully aware of the potential for exposure and can exercise control over their exposure. Occupational/controlled exposure limits also apply where exposure is of a transient nature as a result of incidental passage through a location where exposure levels may be above general population/uncontrolled limits (see below), as long as the exposed person has been made fully aware of the potential for exposure and can exercise control over his or her exposure by leaving the area or by some other appropriate means.

Additional details can be found in FCC OET 65.

CALCULATIONS

Calculations were done for the proposed T-Mobile Wireless antenna facility located at **41 Beckwith Road, Montville, CT**, using the equipment information listed below. All calculations were performed per the specifications under FCC OET 65. Since T-Mobile is proposing highly focused directional panel antennas, which project most of the emitted energy out toward the horizon, all calculations were performed assuming a lobe representing the maximum gain of the antenna per the antenna manufactures supplied specifications, minus 10 dB, was focused at the base of the tower. For this report the sample point is the top of a 6-foot person standing at the base of the tower.

For all calculations, all equipment was calculated using the following assumptions:

- 1) 2 UMTS channels (PCS Band 1900 MHz) were considered for each sector of the proposed installation. These Channels have a transmit power of 30 Watts per Channel.
- 2) 2 LTE channels (AWS Band 2100 MHz) were considered for each sector of the proposed installation. These Channels have a transmit power of 60 Watts per Channel
- 3) 1 LTE channel (700 MHz Band) was considered for each sector of the proposed installation. This channel has a transmit power of 30 Watts.
- 4) All radios at the proposed installation were considered to be running at full power and were uncombined in their RF transmissions paths per carrier prescribed configuration. Per FCC OET Bulletin No. 65 Edition 97-01 recommendations to achieve the maximum anticipated value at each sample point, all power levels emitting from the proposed antenna installation are increased by a factor of 2.56 to account for possible in-phase reflections from the surrounding environment. This is rarely the case, and if so, is never continuous.



- 5) For the following calculations the sample point was the top of a 6-foot person standing at the base of the tower. The maximum gain of the antenna per the antenna manufactures supplied specifications minus 10 dB was used in this direction. This value is a very conservative estimate as gain reductions for these particular antennas are typically much higher in this direction.
- 6) The antennas used in this modeling are the RFS APXV18-206516S-C-A20 for 1900 MHz (PCS) and 2100 MHz (AWS) channels and the Commscope LNX-6515DS-VTM for 700 MHz channels. This is based on feedback from the carrier with regards to anticipated antenna selection. The RFS APXV18-206516S-C-A20 has a maximum gain of 16.3 dBd at its main lobe at 1900 MHz and 2100 MHz. The Commscope LNX-6515DS-VTM has a maximum gain of 14.6 dBd at its main lobe. The maximum gain of the antenna per the antenna manufactures supplied specifications, minus 10 dB, was used for all calculations. This value is a very conservative estimate as gain reductions for these particular antennas are typically much higher in this direction.
- 7) The antenna mounting height centerline of the proposed antennas is **87 feet** above ground level (AGL).
- 8) Emissions values for additional carriers were taken from the Connecticut Siting Council active database. Values in this database are provided by the individual carriers themselves.
- 9) All calculations were done with respect to uncontrolled / general public threshold limits.



T-Mobile Site Inventory and Power Data

Sector:	A	Sector:	В	Sector:	C
Antenna #:	1	Antenna #:	1	Antenna #:	1
Make / Model:	RFS APXV18- 206516S-C-A20	Make / Model:	RFS APXV18- 206516S-C-A20	Make / Model:	RFS APXV18- 206516S-C-A20
Gain:	16.3 dBd	Gain:	16.3 dBd	Gain:	16.3 dBd
Height (AGL):	87	Height (AGL):	87	Height (AGL):	87
Frequency Bands	1900 MHz(PCS) / 2100 MHz (AWS)	Frequency Bands	1900 MHz(PCS) / 2100 MHz (AWS)	Frequency Bands	1900 MHz(PCS) / 2100 MHz (AWS)
Channel Count	4	Channel Count	4	Channel Count	4
Total TX Power(W):	180	Total TX Power(W):	180	Total TX Power(W):	180
ERP (W):	7,678.43	ERP (W):	7,678.43	ERP (W):	7,678.43
Antenna A1 MPE%	4.21	Antenna B1 MPE%	4.21	Antenna C1 MPE%	4.21
Antenna #:	2	Antenna #:	2	Antenna #:	2
Make / Model:	Commscope LNX- 6515DS-VTM	Make / Model:	Commscope LNX- 6515DS-VTM	Make / Model:	Commscope LNX- 6515DS-VTM
Gain:	14.6 dBd	Gain:	14.6 dBd	Gain:	14.6 dBd
Height (AGL):	87	Height (AGL):	87	Height (AGL):	87
Frequency Bands	700 MHz	Frequency Bands	700 MHz	Frequency Bands	700 MHz
Channel Count	1	Channel Count	1	Channel Count	1
Total TX Power(W):	30	Total TX Power(W):	30	Total TX Power(W):	30
ERP (W):	865.21	ERP (W):	865.21	ERP (W):	865.21
Antenna A2 MPE%	1.02	Antenna B2 MPE%	1.02	Antenna C2 MPE%	1.02

Site Composite MPE%			
Carrier	MPE%		
T-Mobile (Per Sector Max)	5.22 %		
Verizon	1.22 %		
Sprint	0.17 %		
Site Total MPE %:	6.61 %		

T-Mobile Sector A Total:	5.22 %
T-Mobile Sector B Total:	5.22 %
T-Mobile Sector C Total:	5.22 %
Site Total:	6.61 %

T-Mobile _per sector	# Channels	Watts ERP (Per Channel)	Height (feet)	Total Power Density (µW/cm²)	Frequency (MHz)	Allowable MPE (µW/cm²)	Calculated % MPE
T-Mobile PCS - 1950 MHz UMTS	2	1,279.74	87	14.02	PCS - 1950 MHz	1000	1.40%
T-Mobile AWS - 2100 MHz LTE	2	2,559.48	87	28.05	AWS - 2100 MHz	1000	2.80%
T-Mobile 700 MHz LTE	1	865.21	87	4.74	700 MHz	467	1.02%
				Total:	5.22%		



Summary

All calculations performed for this analysis yielded results that were **within** the allowable limits for general public exposure to RF Emissions.

The anticipated maximum composite contributions from the T-Mobile facility as well as the site composite emissions value with regards to compliance with FCC's allowable limits for general public exposure to RF Emissions are shown here:

T-Mobile Sector	Power Density Value (%)
Sector A:	5.22 %
Sector B:	5.22 %
Sector C:	5.22 %
T-Mobile Per Sector	5.22 %
Maximum:	3.22 70
Site Total:	6.61 %
Site Compliance Status:	COMPLIANT

The anticipated composite MPE value for this site assuming all carriers present is **6.61%** of the allowable FCC established general public limit sampled at the ground level. This is based upon values listed in the Connecticut Siting Council database for existing carrier emissions.

FCC guidelines state that if a site is found to be out of compliance (over allowable thresholds), that carriers over a 5% contribution to the composite value will require measures to bring the site into compliance. For this facility, the composite values calculated were well within the allowable 100% threshold standard per the federal government.