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### VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

May 31, 2022

Denise Sabo Northeast Site Solutions 420 Main Street, Suite 1 Sturbridge, MA 01566-1359 denise@northeastsitesolutions.com

RE: **TS-DISH-097-220412** – Dish Wireless, LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 151 Berkshire Road, Newtown, Connecticut.

Dear Ms. Sabo:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) hereby denies your request to share the above-referenced existing telecommunications facility, pursuant to Section 16-50j-90 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

This tower share request was submitted to the Council on April 12, 2022. Council staff reviewed this request for completeness and had identified a deficiency that was more fully described in a notice of incompletion letter to the requesting entity dated April 28, 2022 (attached) and recommended that Northeast Site Solutions provide an updated Structural Analysis Report for the facility that includes proposed and approved equipment by Verizon and other entities that are located at this facility on or before May 25, 2022. To date the Council has not received the requested information.

Thus, the proposed tower share request is not in compliance with the exemption criteria in Section 16-50j 89 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies and is hereby denied.

Sincerely,

Melanie Bachman Executive Director

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Enclosure: Council Incomplete Letter Dated April 28, 2022

c: The Honorable Daniel C. Rosenthal First Selectman Town of Newtown Deborah Chase, Senior Project Coordinator & Analyst, Northeast Site Solutions, (deborah@northeastsitesolutions.com)



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Dear Ms. Sabo:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) received the tower share request for the above-referenced facility on April 12, 2022.

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 Structural Analysis Report provided with the filing. The Structural Analysis Report provided is dated October 15, 2021. The Council had received a request for exempt modification from Verizon for the same facility in March of 2022. The above-referenced request for exempt modification does not include Verizon's approved equipment; however, the structural analysis included in Verizon's request for exempt modification does appear to include both Verizon's equipment and the equipment that Dish is now proposing. Please see Verizon's exempt modification filing for this facility, which may be found on the Council's website under the Decisions page in Newtown under the filing number EM-VER-097-220317.

Therefore, the tower share request is incomplete at this time. The Council recommends that Northeast Site Solutions provide an updated Structural Analysis Report for the facility that includes proposed and approved equipment by Verizon and other entities that are located at this facility on or before May 25, 2022. If additional time is needed to gather the requested information, please submit a written request for an extension of time prior to May 25, 2022. Please provide an electronic version and one hard copy of the requested information for the incomplete tower share filing 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,

Melanie Bachman Executive Director

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