

## STATE OF CONNECTICUT CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

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### VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

November 8, 2022

Ryan Clark Centerline Communications 750 West Center Street, Floor 3 West Bridgewater, MA 02379 rclark@clinellc.com

RE:

EM-T-MOBILE-137-220318 - T-Mobile notice of intent to modify an existing telecommunications facility located at Taugwonk Spur Road, Stonington, Connecticut. Notification of Completion Received/Additional Condition Requirement Outstanding.

## Dear Ryan Clark:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) received a notice of completion of construction for the above referenced facility on October 31, 2022. Thank you for providing this information.

The Council approved the above referenced request for exempt modification in a Decision Letter dated April 19, 2022 (enclosed) with the following conditions:

- 1. T-Mobile's antenna installation shall be in accordance with the Mount Analysis prepared by GeoStructural, dated February 14, 2022 and stamped and signed by Gregory Durgin; and
- 2. Within 45 days following completion of equipment installation, T-Mobile shall provide documentation certified by a Professional Engineer that its installation complied with the recommendations of the Mount Analysis.

The completion notice does not contain documentation certified by a Professional Engineer that T-Mobile's installation is in compliance with the Mount Analysis mentioned above.

Therefore, the completion notice is not in compliance with the conditions of approval at this time.

The Council recommends that T-Mobile provide the above referenced documentation on or before December 4, 2022. If additional time is needed to gather the requested information, please submit a written request for an extension of time prior to December 4, 2022.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call the Council office at 860-827-2935.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Melanie Bachman Executive Director

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Enclosures: Construction Close out correspondence dated November 4, 2022

Council Decision letter dated April 19, 2022

c: Rick Woods, SBA Communications Corporation (<a href="mailto:rwoods@sbasite.com">rwoods@sbasite.com</a>)



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October 31, 2022

Melanie A. Bachman Executive Director Connecticut Siting Council 10 Franklin Square New Britain, CT 06501

RE: CTNH646A-EM-T-MOBILE-137-220318 -35 Taugwonk Spur Road Stonington, CT

**Completion of Construction Activity** 

Dear Ms. Bachman:

The purpose of this letter is to notify the Siting Council that construction activity associated with the above-referenced T-Mobile telecommunications facilities has been completed. Work started on August 26, 2022 and was completed on September 21, 2022. Consider this the letter of completion.

If you have any questions or need any additional information regarding these facilities, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Ryan Clark



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#### VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

April 19, 2022

Rick Woods SBA Communications Corporation 134 Flanders Road, Suite 125 Westborough, MA 01581 rwoods@sbasite.com

RE: **EM-T-MOBILE-137-220318** - T-Mobile notice of intent to modify an existing telecommunications facility located at Taugwonk Spur Road, Stonington, Connecticut.

Dear Mr. Woods:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) hereby acknowledges your notice to modify this existing telecommunications facility, pursuant to Section 16-50j-73 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies with the following conditions:

- 1. T-Mobile's antenna installation shall be in accordance with the Mount Analysis prepared by GeoStructural, dated February 14, 2022 and stamped and signed by Gregory Durgin;
- 2. Within 45 days following completion of equipment installation, T-Mobile shall provide documentation certified by a Professional Engineer that its installation complied with the recommendations of the Mount Analysis;
- 3. Any deviation from the proposed modification as specified in this notice and supporting materials submitted to the Council shall render this acknowledgement invalid;
- 4. Any material changes to this modification as proposed shall require the filing of a new notice with the Council:
- 5. The Council shall be notified in writing at least two weeks prior to the commencement of site construction activities;
- 6. Within 45 days after completion of construction, the Council shall be notified in writing that construction has been completed;
- 7. Deployment of any 5G services must comply with FCC and FAA guidance relative to air navigation, as applicable;
- 8. Any nonfunctioning antenna and associated antenna mounting equipment on this facility owned and operated by T-Mobile shall be removed within 60 days of the date the antenna ceased to function;
- 9. The validity of this action shall expire one year from the date of this letter; and

10. The applicant may file a request for an extension of time beyond the one year deadline provided that such request is submitted to the Council not less than 60 days prior to the expiration.

The proposed modifications including the placement of all necessary equipment and shelters within the tower compound are to be implemented as specified here and in your notice dated March 17, 2022. The modifications are in compliance with the exception criteria in Section 16-50j-72 (b) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies as changes to an existing facility site that would not increase tower height, extend the boundaries of the tower site by any dimension, increase noise levels at the tower site boundary by six decibels or more, and increase the total radio frequencies electromagnetic radiation power density measured at the tower site boundary to or above the standards adopted by the Federal Communications Commission pursuant to Section 704 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and by the state Department of Energy and Environmental Protection pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 22a-162. This facility has also been carefully modeled to ensure that radio frequency emissions are conservatively below state and federal standards applicable to the frequencies now used on this tower.

This decision is under the exclusive jurisdiction of the Council. Please be advised that the validity of this action shall expire one year from the date of this letter. Any additional change to this facility will require explicit notice to this agency pursuant to Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Section 16-50j-73. Such notice shall include all relevant information regarding the proposed change with cumulative worst-case modeling of radio frequency exposure at the closest point of uncontrolled access to the tower base, consistent with Federal Communications Commission, Office of Engineering and Technology, Bulletin 65. Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Melanie A. Bachman Executive Director

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c: The Honorable Danielle Chesebrough, First Selectman, Town of Stonington (selectmen@stonington-ct.gov)

Jeff Steinberg, SBA Communications Corporation (jsteinberg@sbasite.com)