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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

February 22, 2024

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RE: **EM-ATT-155-240205** – AT&T Mobility, LLC notice of intent to modify an existing telecommunications facility located at 125 South Main Street, West Hartford, Connecticut.
Notice of Incomplete Request.

Dear Carolyn Seeley:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) received notice of intent to modify the above-referenced facility on February 5, 2024.

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 the following deficiencies:

- a.) The construction drawings dated March 18, 2022 provided with the filing cite the 2018 Connecticut State Building Code (CSBC); however, the State of Connecticut has adopted the 2022 CSBC effective October 1, 2022;
- b.) The exempt modification request lacks documentation of the original facility approval and any conditions of such approval or correspondence with the Town of West Hartford stating that the town no longer retains records of its decision; and
- c.) On September 23, 2022, the Council issued a memorandum to telecommunications industry representatives requiring a cumulative far-field Radio Frequency Power Density Analysis to be provided with all telecommunications exempt modification requests. The radio frequency emissions report dated April 5, 2022 provided with the request does not include a cumulative far-field analysis. A copy of the memorandum is available on the Council's website at the following link: [20220923-farfieldmemo_final.pdf \(ct.gov\)](http://portal.ct.gov/csc/20220923-farfieldmemo_final.pdf).

Therefore, this exempt modification request is incomplete at this time. The Council recommends that AT&T provide updated construction drawings that comport with the current 2022 CSBC; provide documentation showing the original facility approval with conditions, if any, or correspondence with the Town stating that there are no records of the original facility approval; and provide an RF Analysis

including a rigorous cumulative far-field analysis for all entities located on the tower that accounts for a 6-foot tall person and the actual antenna pattern for the proposed modifications to the facility with a cumulative %MPE at or below 100%, on or before March 22, 2024. If additional time is needed to gather the requested information, please submit a written request for an extension of time prior to March 22, 2024. **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 incompleteness 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,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Melanie Bachman". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

Melanie Bachman
Executive Director

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