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Kyle Richers Transcend Wireless 10 Industrial Avenue, Suite 3 Mahwah, NJ 07430

RE: **EM-SPRINT-158-190417** – Sprint notice of intent to modify an existing telecommunications facility located at 515 Post Road East, Westport, Connecticut.

Dear Mr. Richers:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) received a notice of intent to modify the above-referenced facility on April 17, 2019.

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 Structural Assessment (SA) provided with the request. The SA provided is dated April 1, 2019 and prepared by Ramaker and Associates Inc. The Council received a request for exempt modification from AT&T for the same facility on September 18, 2018. The above-referenced request for exempt modification does not include AT&T's approved equipment. Please see AT&T's exempt modification request for this facility, which may be found on the Council's website under the Decisions page in Westport under the filing number EM-AT&T-158-180918 or by following the link:

https://www.ct.gov/csc/lib/csc/ems/westport/bostonpostrd/att_cing/em-at&t-158-180918_filing_bostonpostrd.pdf

Therefore, the exempt modification request is incomplete at this time. The Council recommends that Transcend Wireless provide an updated SA for the facility that includes proposed and approved equipment by AT&T and other entities that are located at this facility on or before May 22, 2019. If additional time is needed to gather the requested information, please submit a written request for an extension of time prior to May 22, 2019.

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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c: The Honorable Jim Marpe, First Selectman, Town of Westport Mary Young, Director, Planning & Zoning, Town of Westport