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August 23, 2016

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

Re: **Notice of Exempt Modification – Antenna Swap**
Property Address: **142 Fitts Rd Ashford, CT 06278**
Applicant: **AT&T Mobility, LLC**

Dear Ms. Bachman:

On behalf of AT&T, please accept this application as notification pursuant to R.C.S.A. §16-50j-73, for construction that constitutes an exempt modification pursuant to R.C.S.A. §16-50j-72(b) (2).

AT&T currently maintains a wireless telecommunications facility consisting of nine (9) wireless telecommunication antennas at an antenna center line height of 167-feet on an existing 180 foot–monopole, owned by SBA Communications Corporation 8051 Congress Avenue Boca Raton, Florida 33487-1307. AT&T now intends to add (3) LTE 1900 RRUS-12 at existing LTE Antennas with a DUL to DUS upgrade.

At a public meeting held July 14, 2002, the West Hartford Town Plan and Zoning Commission granted a Special Permit under Section 4.11.02 of the zoning regulations to Tower Ventures, Inc. to build a 180' telecommunications tower to be located on the June Norcross Webster Scout Reservation off Fitts Rd. with the condition that the tower be of monopole design with the appearance of galvanized steel. Motion passed without dissent.

Please accept this letter pursuant to Regulation of Connecticut State Agencies §16-50j-73, for construction that constitutes an exempt modification pursuant to R.C.S.A. § 16-5I0j-72(b) (2). In accordance with R.C.S.A., a copy of this letter is being sent to Michael J. Zambo, First Selectman, Town of Ashford Municipal Offices 5 Town Hall Road Ashford, CT 06278, Connecticut Rivers Council BSA, 60 Darling Street East Hartford, Ct –owners and co-owned by SBA Communications Corporation 8051 Congress Avenue Boca Raton, Florida 33487-1307.

The following is a list of subsequent decisions by the Connecticut Siting Council:

EM-CING-003-121011 - New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC notice of intent to modify an existing telecommunications facility located at 142 Fitts Road (Ashford Center Road), **Ashford**, Connecticut.

EM-AT&T-003-131209B - American Telephone and Telegraph Company (AT&T) notice of intent to modify an existing telecommunications facility located at 142 Fitts Road, **Ashford**, Connecticut.

The planned modifications to AT&T's facility fall squarely within those activities explicitly provided for in R.C.S.A. §16-50j-72(b) (2).

1. The proposed modifications will not result in an increase in the height of the existing tower. AT&T's replacement antennas will be installed at the 167-foot level of the 180-momopole.
2. The proposed modifications will not involve any changes to ground-mounted equipment and, therefore, will not require and extension of the site boundary.
3. The proposed modifications will not increase the noise levels at the facility by six decibels or more, or to levels that exceed state and local criteria.
4. The operation of the modified facility will not increase radio frequency (RF) emissions at the facility to a level at or above the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) safety standard. A cumulative worst-case RF emissions calculation for AT&T's modified facility is provided in the RF Emissions Compliance Report, included in Tab 2.
5. The proposed modifications will not cause a change or alteration in the physical or environmental characteristics of the site.
6. The tower and its foundation can support AT&T's proposed modifications. (See Structural Analysis Report included in Tab 3).

For the foregoing reasons, AT&T respectfully submits that the proposed modifications to the above referenced telecommunications facility constitutes an exempt modification under R.C.S.A. §16-50j-72(b) (2).

Sincerely,

David Barbagallo

CC w/enclosures:
Michael J. Zambo, First Selectman, Town of Ashford
Connecticut Rivers Council - owner
SBA Communications Corporation- co-owner