

# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

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### VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

DATE: July 11, 2018

TO: Telecommunications Service List

FROM: Melanie A. Bachman, Esq.   
Executive Director

RE: **Request for Connecticut Siting Council to Assume Jurisdiction over a Proposed Non-Jurisdictional Telecommunications Facility to be located at Western Connecticut State University, Ruth Haas Library, 181 White Street, Danbury, Connecticut, pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. §16-50k(e)**

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The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of correspondence from T-Mobile Northeast, LLC (T-Mobile), dated July 10, 2018, respectfully requesting the Council assume jurisdiction over a proposed rooftop telecommunications facility to be located at Western Connecticut State University (WCSU), Ruth Haas Library, 181 White Street in Danbury.

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §16-50k(e), “any person intending to construct a facility excluded from one or more provisions of this chapter may, to the extent permitted by law, elect to waive such exclusion by delivering notice of such waiver to the Council. Such provisions shall thereafter apply to each facility identified in such notice from the date of its receipt by the Council.”

If the proposed rooftop telecommunications facility were to be owned or operated by WCSU, it would be under the Council’s jurisdiction pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §16-50i(a)(6) as the facility would be “owned or operated by the state.” WCSU is a constituent unit of the state system of public higher education. Here, T-Mobile would be the owner and operator of the proposed facility that is to be located on WCSU property.

By letter dated June 12, 2018, WCSU respectfully requested the Council undertake the procedural steps needed to exercise and assume jurisdiction over the proposed telecommunications facility. In that correspondence, WCSU also indicated that a lease agreement has been negotiated and is in the process of being approved by the Board of Regents for the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities and the Attorney General’s Office.

A copy of T-Mobile’s request and supporting materials are attached for review. The Council hereby solicits comments regarding T-Mobile’s request for the Council to assume jurisdiction over the proposed rooftop telecommunications facility to be located at WCSU in Danbury before the close of business on Thursday, July 26, 2018.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

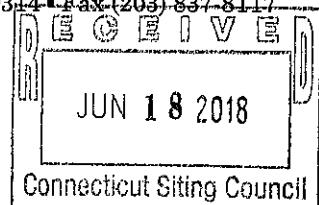
Enclosures

cc: Jesse Langer, Esq., Updike, Kelly & Spellacy

Hon. Mark D. Boughton, Mayor, City of Danbury

Sharon Calitro, Director of Planning & Zoning, City of Danbury

Luigi Marcone, Chief Facilities Officer and Associate VP for Campus Planning, WCSU



**Chief Facilities Officer and Associate VP for Campus Planning**

June 12, 2018

Melanie Bachman  
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**RE: T-Mobile Northeast LLC request for Waiver of Exclusion Request for Connecticut Siting Council to Assume Jurisdiction over a Proposed/Future Telecommunications Facility located 181 White Street, Danbury, CT 06810 (Western Connecticut State University)**

Dear Ms. Bachman,

The purpose of this letter is to respectfully support T-Mobile's request that the Connecticut Siting Council undertake the procedural steps needed to exercise and assume jurisdiction over a proposed telecommunications facility, located at 181 White Street in Danbury, Connecticut, at Western Connecticut State University ("WCSU").

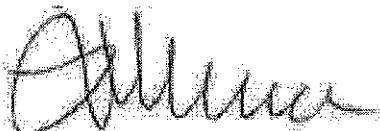
In March of 2018, T-Mobile engaged in discussions with WCSU on the possibility of a telecommunications facility at our mid-town campus location and conducted a design visit to determine the feasibility of this location, T-Mobile has targeted the Ruth Haas Library building at Western Connecticut State University for a potential telecommunications facility. In April of 2018, T-Mobile presented a design exhibit to the University, which was preliminarily accepted. The University and T-Mobile have engaged in discussions pertaining to executing a lease agreement between the two parties, with the full intention of signing a lease agreement in the near future.

We look forward to completing this process and commencing construction once the full Board of Regents for the Connecticut State Colleges & Universities and the State of Connecticut Attorney General's Office has approved the lease agreement.

If you have any questions on this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Thanks,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Luigi Marcone".

Luigi Marcone  
Chief Facilities Officer and Associate VP for Campus Planning  
Western Connecticut State University

Cc: Keith Epstein  
Mark Case  
John Murphy