

STATEMENT OF BRENDAN M. GILL
Vertex Towers, LLC

I, Brendan M. Gill, hereby state the following in support of the application submitted by Vertex Towers, LLC for a multi-user Personal Wireless Service Facility (“PWSF”) to be located at 92 Stallion Hill Road, Sturbridge, MA (the “Property”), consisting of a 150’ Monopole and related ground equipment contained within a fenced compound (the “Site”)

1. My name is Brendan M. Gill and I am the Director of Site Acquisition and Leasing for Vertex Towers, LLC.
2. I have worked in the telecommunications industry for 10 years overseeing and assisting in the leasing, zoning, permitting and construction of wireless communications facilities and specifically in the investigation of all feasible alternatives and options locating a wireless communications facility within a search ring which would fill a significant gap in wireless coverage.
3. I have participated directly through my present and past employment in the development and analysis of hundreds of such facilities, including wireless communication facilities similar to the proposed Site.
4. I have personally visited the Property, and the areas surrounding the Property, on numerous occasions. I submit this affidavit based on my personal knowledge of the Property and the surrounding areas, while also working together with the experience and documentation provided by civil and radio frequency engineers, environmental consultants and based on my professional experience in the development of wireless communication facilities.
5. Part of my site acquisition and development duties include identifying potential candidates within an area identified as having a significant gap in coverage. The candidate identification process includes reviewing the applicable zoning ordinance with legal counsel, engineers, wetland scientists, and other professionals to identify areas where the proposed Site is allowed and feasible. First, I explore the area to determine whether there are any existing structures of sufficient height and structural capacity from which an antenna installation on such a structure would provide sufficient coverage. If there are no such existing structures, I identify properties, located within the narrowly defined search area, that appear to be suitable for the installation of a communications facility, while also eliminating certain properties that would not be suitable due various limitations or concerns related but not limited to, parcel size, access issues, landlocked parcels, conservation restrictions, wetlands, visibility, elevation, terrain and constructability. In order to be viable, a candidate must (i) provide adequate coverage to the identified significant gap in coverage and (ii) have a willing landowner with whom commercially reasonable lease terms may be negotiated. Preference is given to locations that closely comply with local zoning ordinances, or in the event no viable candidates are found within the search area, I attempt to identify other potentially suitable properties, with preference always given to existing structures.

6. In connection with this site, I have provided site acquisition services, including researching the area, and identifying potential alternative candidates to the leased ground space on the Property.
7. Based on my personal knowledge of the proposed Site and the and the surrounding area, there are no potential alternative candidates located within this geographically driven search ring that would be considered superior to the proposed Site. All possible locations along Rt 20 fail to provide the coverage needed due topographical limitation. In addition, based on my experience, in my professional opinion, the proposed PWSF to be located at 92 Stallion Hill Road is the least intrusive and only available and viable alternative to adequate meet the coverage objective to fill this significant gap in coverage.

Executed this 30th day of August 2023.



Brendan M. Gill
Vertex Towers, LLC