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Filed Electronically Linda C. Bridwell Executive Director Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Blvd. P.O. Box 615 Frankfort, KY 40601

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Re: In the Matter of: The Application of New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company, d/b/a AT&T Mobility and Uniti Towers LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company for Issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Construct a Wireless Communications Facility in the Commonwealth of Kentucky in the County of Pulaski, Case No. 2020-00351

Dear Executive Director Bridwell:

In recognition of the fact that the Commission has not yet ruled on the pending motion to intervene of SBA III LLC ("SBA"), SBA files this interim public comment to provide the Commission with additional facts directly bearing on the Commission's decision in this matter. *See* 807 KAR 5:063 Section 1(1)(s) ("A statement . . . that there is no reasonably available opportunity to co-locate, <u>including documentation of attempts to co-locate</u>. . ." (emphasis added)).

SBA hereby notifies the Commission that it has offered to modify the monthly rent currently charged to AT&T Mobility ("AT&T") to continue to co-locate on the SBA Tower described in SBA's Motion to Intervene to match the monthly rent to be charged by Uniti Towers LLC ("Uniti"), less \$10.00. The offer was communicated by SBA to AT&T through its representative, Ronnie T. Cheek, AT&T Area Manager Site Acquisition for NC/TN/KY, 4100 Southstream Blvd, Charlotte, NC. Accordingly, SBA's offer to AT&T is an additional fact that this Commission should consider in rendering its decision (and a fact that might have been presented earlier had AT&T Executive Director Kentucky Public Service Commission April 5, 2021 Page 2

sought to renegotiate its tower rent for this particular tower, as the Commission regulations appear to require).

Thus, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:063 Section 1(1)(s) and the Commission's Order of January 21, 2021 in KY PSC Case No. 2019-176, SBA's tower, a multi-tenant structure designed to provide a single coverage solution, remains reasonably available for continued co-location by AT&T. In addition, as AT&T has previously indicated that rent is the dispositive issue in this matter, it is now clear that AT&T and Uniti's Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to build a new tower should be denied. AT&T can continue to co-locate on the reasonably available SBA tower and provide the appropriate wireless service to the area. This result is consistent with the goal of 807 KAR 5:063, to encourage co-location and avoid the unnecessary proliferation of towers, and is best for the community.

SBA is committed to engaging with AT&T concerning any SBA tower located in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, which may avoid the need for further filings before the Commission. Furthermore, SBA is happy to meet with the Commission as well to discuss this matter.

Sincerely,

DINSMORE & SHOHL LLP /s/ Edward T. Depp Edward T. Depp

Certification

I hereby certify that the electronic version of this filing made with the Commission on April 5, 2021, is a true and accurate copy of the paper document that will be submitted to the Commission within 30 days of the Governor lifting the state of the emergency pursuant to the Commission's Orders in Case No. 2020-00085, and the electronic version of the filing has been transmitted to the Commission. A copy of this filing has been served electronically on all parties of record for whom an e-mail address is given in the online Service List for this proceeding.

<u>/s/ Edward T. Depp</u> Edward T. Depp