

STATE OF VERMONT  
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Case No. 25-2578-PET

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| Petition of T-Mobile Northeast, LLC requesting a certificate of public good, pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 248a, authorizing the installation of wireless telecommunications equipment at 1298 Machia Road in Sheldon, Vermont |  |
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**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE COMMENTS**

On October 20, 2025, T-Mobile Northeast, LLC (“T-Mobile” or “Petitioner”), acting by and through its agent Smart Link Group, filed an application with the Vermont Public Utility Commission (“Commission”), pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 248a, for approval of additional telecommunications equipment (“Project”) at an existing facility located at 1298 Machia Road in Sheldon, Vermont (“Facility”). The Facility currently consists of telecommunications antennas located on a 75’ farm silo with existing equipment and appurtenances. The Petitioner does not hold a Certificate of Public Good for modifications to the Facility.

Based on the application, supporting testimony, and accompanying exhibits, the Petitioner proposes the following changes to the Facility:

1. Installation of six (6) new antennas, three (3) measuring 75.8” x 11.3” and (3) measuring 95.7” x 19.7,” with a total surface area of 57.12 square feet mounted at 52’ above ground level;
2. Installation of six (6) new remote radio head units, three (3) measuring 21.8” x 15.7” and three (3) measuring 19.6” x 15.7,” contributing 13.54 square feet of visual surface area to the project;
3. Installation of a new 10’ x 20’ concrete pad at the base of the silo with two equipment cabinets, a generator and 10’ x 12’ equipment canopy; and
4. Installation of ancillary improvements and appurtenances consisting of conduits and hardware necessary for the operation of the Project.

The Vermont Department of Public Service (“Department”) has reviewed the Petitioner’s application and concludes that the Project qualifies as limited size and scope under 30 V.S.A. § 248a(b)(4)(A). The additions to the telecommunications facility including ancillary improvements do not exceed 200’ in height and do not increase the existing width of the facility by more than 20’. The Project will permanently disturb less than 10,000 square feet of earth and will comply with the requirements of the *Low-Risk Handbook for Erosion Prevention and Sediment Control*. The Petitioner is not constructing a new facility but is improving equipment on an existing facility.

The Department concludes that the Project (1) qualifies as limited size and scope under 30 V.S.A. § 248a(b)(4)(A); (2) will promote the general good of the state; and (3) furthers state telecommunications policy and planning goals pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 202c(b). The Department has not received comments on Petitioner’s application from any municipal legislative bodies, members of the public, or other state agencies.

DATED at Montpelier, Vermont this 24th day of November, 2025.

VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE

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