

February 26, 2021

Timothy Cook  
Director - Construction & Operations  
CitySwitch  
1900 Century Placel NE, Suite 320  
Atlanta, GA 30345

RE: 305' Self-Supporting Tower for Otter Bay, FL

Dear Mr. Cook,

Upon receipt of order, we propose to design and supply the above referenced tower for a Basic Wind Speed of 118 mph with no ice and 30 mph with 1/4" ice, Risk Category II, Exposure Category B, and Topographic Category 1, in accordance with the Telecommunications Industry Association Standard ANSI/TIA-222-H, "Structural Standard for Antenna Supporting Structures and Antennas".

When designed according to this standard, the wind pressures and steel strength capacities include several safety factors. Therefore, it is highly unlikely that the tower will fail structurally in a wind event where the design wind speed is exceeded within the range of the built-in safety factors.

Should the wind speed increase beyond the capacity of the built-in safety factors, to the point of failure of one or more structural elements, the most likely location of the failure would be within one or more of the tower members in the upper portion. This would result in a buckling failure mode, where the loaded member would bend beyond its elastic limit (beyond the point where the member would return to its original shape upon removal of the wind load).

Therefore, it is likely that the overall effect of such an extreme wind event would be localized buckling of a tower section. Assuming that the wind pressure profile is similar to that used to design the tower, the tower is most likely to buckle at the location of the highest combined stress ratio in the upper portion of the tower. This would result in the portion of the tower above the failure location "folding over" onto the portion of the tower below the failure location. This would effectively result in a fall radius within the 100' x 100' compound. *Please note that this letter only applies to the above referenced tower designed and manufactured by Sabre Towers & Poles.*

Sincerely,

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Engineering Supervisor

