

Other Issues to Be Addressed Prior to Full Construction/Operation of WLFB

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WLFB is currently finalizing the engagement of a vendor to perform the mapping and structural analysis (including foundation and soil testing) of WLFB's existing tower, which (as previously reported) lacks documentation. One qualified vendor declined to bid on the project—citing the lack of documentation and the press of other business. A second vendor submitted a proposal for mapping the above-ground tower components, but this vendor had no capability of assessing the tower foundation and failed to provide certain other required information critical to a proposal being deemed “acceptable.” WLFB's Project Coordinator has now received a new proposal from a qualified firm, and this proposal is currently being vetted with hopes of engaging the firm shortly. If this proposal is accepted, it is anticipated that the analysis will be completely within three months.

When completed, the structural analysis will ultimately allow WLFB to determine whether and to what extent the existing tower can or should be modified for purposes of supporting the antenna and transmission line for WLFB's repacked facility. We currently have a sense that the structural analysis will conclude that the existing tower is not compliant with Rev G standard. If that sense materializes into reality, then there is a question whether the tower can be economically and timely modified by reinforcement and or changes in guy cables (or, instead, whether it would be cheaper and/or more efficient to construct a new tower).

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