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Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

**Re: Notice of Ex Parte Meeting: Revision of Part 15 of the Commission's Rules to Permit
Unlicensed National Information Infrastructure (U-NII) Devices in the 5 GHz Band,
ET Docket No. 13-49**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of the Intelligent Transportation Society of America ("ITS America") and pursuant to Section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's Rules (47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b)), notice is hereby provided regarding an *ex parte* meeting on October 1, 2018 between representatives of ITS America and the Office of Engineering and Technology (OET). Attending on behalf of ITS America were Ron Thaniel, Vice President Legislative Affairs; Steven Bayless, Vice President Regulatory Affairs & Public Policy; Jason Goldman, Vice President External Affairs & Stakeholder Engagement; and Matthew Baker and the undersigned of Squire Patton Boggs (US) LLP as counsel to ITS America. Attending on behalf of OET were Aspasia Paroutsas, Chief of Staff; Kevin Holmes, Acting Assistant Chief; Jamison Prime, Chief of the Policy and Rules Division; Walter Johnston, Chief of the Electromagnetic Compatibility Division; and Patrick Forster, Senior Engineer.

The participants discussed the status of testing by OET of the potential for sharing between the Dedicated Short Range Communication Service (DSRCS) and unlicensed network information infrastructure (U-NII) devices in the 5850-5925 MHz band. The parties discussed the status and timing of the Phase I test report. ITS America distributed and discussed a press release from April 2018 announcing the launch of a Vehicle-to-Everything (V2X) Task Force. Attached is a copy of that press release.

If there are any questions regarding this notice, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

/s/ Robert B. Kelly

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ITS America Launches Task Force to Advance Connected Vehicle Communications

Toyota, Colorado DOT will Lead Task Force

Washington D.C. – As part of its continuing efforts to expand connected vehicle communications, the Intelligent Transportation Society of America (ITS America) today announced a Vehicle-to-Everything (V2X) Task Force to address a national interoperability standard that enables any vehicle to communicate with any other vehicle and with all other users of the transportation system.

The V2X Task Force will look at new technologies and their impact on transportation safety, security and interoperability. V2X enables a vehicle to connect to any other vehicle (e.g. cars, buses, trucks), any other road user (e.g. pedestrians, bicyclists, motorcyclists) or any roadside traffic system (e.g. traffic management systems). John Kenney, Director of Networking Research, Toyota InfoTechnology Center, USA, and Amy Ford, Chief of Advanced Mobility, Colorado Department of Transportation, are the task force co-chairs.

“The sooner we have more connected vehicles on the roads, the sooner we can save more lives and improve mobility,” said Shailen Bhatt, President and CEO of ITS America. “Toyota’s announcement last week that it will deploy V2X Dedicated Short Range Communications (DSRC) systems (in Toyota and Lexus vehicles) starting in 2021, along with GM’s commitment to V2X DSRC in the 2017 interim model year, was a major step forward. New technologies continue to change the transportation landscape, and we hope the task force will build the momentum needed to expand deployment of this lifesaving technology.”

With direction from its members over the last decade, ITS America facilitated the development of standards to create the current V2X ecosystem, focusing on interoperability, safety, security, and privacy.

Many of ITS America’s members have introduced or are developing V2X technology based upon standards that ITS America helped establish within the Federal Communications Commission. ITS America has long advocated for a common nationwide standard for Vehicle-to-Vehicle (V2V) and Vehicle-to-Infrastructure (V2I) communications (V2I is currently deployed in 26 states), understanding that interoperability will drive innovation. The U.S. Department of Transportation estimates that V2V can potentially address approximately 80% of crashes involving two or more motor vehicles.

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