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Ex Parte

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Federal Communications Commission
445 15th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: *Transforming the 2.5 GHz Band, WT Docket No. 18-120*; and *Promoting Investment in the 3550-3700 MHz Band, GN Docket No. 17-258*.

Dear Ms. Dortch,

On October 11, 2018, Scott Anderson, Justin TerWee, Justin Forde, and the undersigned of Midcontinent Communications (Midco) met with Commissioner Brendan Carr and his chief of staff, Jamie Susskind, in a tour of Grand Forks, rural ND, rural MN, and Fargo, ND. Midco toured some of its rural fixed wireless operations, including a grain elevator in Thompson, ND where Midco is currently testing next generation carrier aggregation fixed wireless technology.

During the visit, Midco shared its views on the 2.5 GHz and 3.5 GHz bands, next generation or 5G fixed wireless technology, and Midco's preference for county-sized spectrum licenses. Midco also discussed its desire for the rural bidding credits for the priority access license auction in the 3.5 GHz band.

In accordance with Section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules, I have filed a copy of this notice electronically in the above-referenced dockets. Please address any questions regarding the foregoing to me.

Sincerely,

/s/ Nicole Tupman

Nicole Tupman
Corporate Counsel

cc: Jamie Susskind (via email)