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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: Ex Parte Filing
RM - 11793**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This is to advise that on Wednesday, October 18, David Silver, Vice-President, Civil Aviation, Aerospace Industries Association; Joseph Cramer, Regional Director, The Boeing Company; Ryan Terry, Director, Regulatory Licensing and Policy, Trade & Regulatory Affairs, Lockheed Martin Corporation; and Chip Yorkgitis, Kelley Drye & Warren LLP, counsel for Raytheon Company, and the undersigned (collectively, the "Aerospace Manufacturing Representatives") met with the Chairman Pai's Wireless Legal Advisor, Rachael Bender, and Commissioner Carr's Acting Wireless Legal Advisor, Kevin Holmes, regarding the above referenced matter

Separately, the Representatives met with Scot Stone, Deputy Chief, Mobility Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau; Aalok Mehta, Senior Policy Advisor; WTB, Tim Maguire, WTB Engineer (by phone); and Ronald Repasi, Deputy Chief, Office of Engineering and Technology.

The Aerospace Manufacturing Representatives urged the importance of access to the 5091-5150 MHz band for aerospace manufacturers at the small number of airports which happen to be co-located with, or in proximity to, major aerospace manufacturing plants; and the threshold need to define criteria for enhancing the compatibility of 5091-5150 MHz operation of Aeronautical Mobile Telemetry ("AMT") and AeroMACS in the vicinity of those airports.

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To this end, the Representatives were pleased to advise that they had recently held a substantive conversation with Federal Aviation Administration ("FAA") senior management on the question of AeroMACS and AMT compatibility; and that, as a result, the parties had agreed to a follow-on, face-to-face meeting in the near-term at the FAA with the goal of establishing a test plan including a time-line. That plan would be utilized as the basis for field testing to define compatibility techniques, as well as AMT characteristics, utilizing an actual AMT and AeroMACS deployment. The Aerospace Manufacturing Representatives note their intention that the testing be conducted promptly, with the results reported to the Commission for its use in developing rules in a timely manner.

Finally, all five of the Aerospace Manufacturing parties referenced above filed either Comments or Reply Comments in response to the Petition for Rulemaking; points made in those Comments were also addressed in the meetings (as was the notion, firmly rejected by the parties, that they were seeking to "re-litigate" the AeroMACS priority).

Any questions concerning this ex parte filing should be directed to the undersigned.

Sincerely,



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