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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: ***Ex Parte Presentation**, Expanding Flexible Use of the 3.7 to 4.2 GHz Band*, GN Docket No. 18-122; *Promoting Investment in the 3550-3700 MHz Band*, GN Docket No. 17-258; *Unlicensed Use of the 6 GHz Band*, ET Docket No. 18-295; *Expanding Flexible Use in Mid-Band Spectrum Between 3.7 and 24 GHz*, GN Docket No. 17-183; *Use of Spectrum Bands Above 24 GHz for Mobile Radio Services*, GN Docket No. 14-177, WT Docket No. 10-112; *Accelerating Wireless/Wireline Broadband Deployment by Removing Barriers to Infrastructure Investment*, WT Docket No. 17-79, WC Docket No. 17-84.

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On March 21, 2019, Scott Bergmann of CTIA met with Rachael Bender of the Office of Chairman Ajit Pai to discuss the above-captioned proceedings. During the meeting, CTIA highlighted its call for the Federal Communications Commission (“Commission”) and policy-makers throughout the Administration to develop a comprehensive national vision for continued wireless leadership.¹ CTIA commended the Commission in particular on its progress toward making spectrum available to support this next-generation wireless use, and for its efforts to modernize infrastructure siting policies.

To build on these efforts, CTIA highlighted how smart spectrum policies—including setting a five-year schedule of spectrum auctions, emphasizing free market principles such as exclusive flexible-use licenses, and modernizing government policies and procedures—will unlock the enormous promise of 5G and spur U.S. global technological leadership. Where sufficient

¹ See Comments of CTIA, NTIA Docket No. 181130999-8999-01 (filed Jan. 22, 2019), <https://api.ctia.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/190122-CTIA-Comments-to-NTIA-on-National-Spectrum-Strategy.pdf>.



spectrum is available for wireless service, history has shown that the private sector will invest billions of dollars to convert that raw material into innovative products and services that help consumers, create jobs, and grow the economy—and that opportunity will be even more profound with 5G. The United States should therefore act quickly to make additional spectrum—especially in the mid-band range—available for terrestrial wireless use, and ensure that the nation’s spectrum and infrastructure policies foster a robust future for next-generation technologies and services.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission’s rules, a copy of this letter is being filed in ECFS. Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned with any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ Scott K. Bergmann

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cc: Rachael Bender