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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Office of the Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Expanding Flexible Use of the 3.7 to 4.2 GHz Band, GN Docket No. 18-122

Dear Ms. Dortch,

On June 27, 2019, Citizens Against Government Waste (CAGW) President Thomas A. Schatz, and Technology and Telecommunications Policy Director Deborah Collier met in an *ex parte* meeting with Aaron Goldberger, Wireless Advisor to Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Chairman Ajit Pai to discuss Expanding Flexible Use of the 3.7 to 4.2 GHz Band, GN Docket No. 18-122.

CAGW understands the importance of this spectrum to the deployment of fifth generation (5G) networks, and is encouraged by the FCC's careful review of the 3.7 to 4.2 GHz band spectrum. Deborah Collier offered three key points that our organization believes are critical to the consideration of the use of this band: 1) that existing incumbent users of the band are kept whole through the process; 2) that the property rights of U.S. taxpayers in the band are protected; and 3) that any auction of this spectrum be conducted by the FCC.

As further reference for this discussion, we are including with this *ex parte* notice our report entitled, *The Race to 5G: Protecting Taxpayers through Spectrum Auctions*.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission's rules, an electronic copy of this letter is being filed in the above-referenced docket. Please direct any questions regarding this filing to Deborah Collier.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Thomas Schatz". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Thomas A. Schatz  
President