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**Northwest Communications Comments RE: FCC Proceeding 12-254 Opposing CTIA and T-Mobile Petitions to Amend the Rules for the CBRS Band**

To Whom It May Concern,

Northwest Communications opposes the CTIA and T-Mobile petitions.

Northwest Communications provides fixed wireless services to nearly 3,000 plus residential and business subscribers in 45+ communities in northwest Iowa and we are expanding, at least hoping to expand our services to more communities and surrounding residents who have very few options. We have been providing fixed wireless solutions since 2000.

The CBRS band and the additional 100 MHz would allow us to increase our speeds in these areas and vastly help improve our coverage and data rates that would be available to our customers and future customers if they could have access to 50+ Meg broadband and more. We are investing hundreds of thousands in our networks to be able to achieve broadband speeds our customers need. In rural Iowa we are seeing many more businesses out of the home and telecommuters. Not to mention all of our farmers and agricultural industries that continually require more and more bandwidth for their operations as AG technologies greatly increase.

This CBRS spectrum would allow us to offer faster broadband too many more rural customers in underserved areas with very few providers, many times there is one or maybe two with limited service options. Unless they choose a mobile carrier for their broadband needs or a satellite provider with low and expensive data caps.

With CBRS and additional capacity, I can only imagine what the fixed wireless industry could do in a short time period for all the rural consumers needing more options for broadband. The CTIA and T-Mobile are hoping to delay our progress as usual and then do nothing with the spectrum for years. Please help remove the road blocks and let us actually provide broadband to our customers in timely manner.

Sincerely,

Chase Cox- CTO

Northwest Communications