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In the Matter of)
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Spectrum Allocation Proposals) IB Docket No. 97-95
for Fixed-Satellite, Fixed,) FCC 97-85
Mobile, and Government Operations)

COMMENTS ON PROPOSED RULE

The Cellular Phone Taskforce ("Taskforce") hereby submits comments on the Commission's proposed rule in the above-referenced proceeding. The Taskforce has submitted Petitions for Reconsideration and other Motions in ET Docket No. 93-62 with regard to the adoption of the Commission's Rules for environmental effects. The concerns raised by the Taskforce in that proceeding are magnified with every new proposed allocation of spectrum for terrestrial and satellite broadcast use, particularly in light of the increasing number of reports the Taskforce is receiving nationwide of adverse health and particularly auditory effects, even in areas where the source of those auditory effects can only be satellite broadcasts.

In this regard we particularly bring to the Commission's attention that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) disagrees with the 1992 ANSI/IEEE standard's statement that the human auditory effect is not deleterious. That position was made clear in the EPA's comments to the Commission on FCC 93-62, April 1993, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, and has not altered.

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The Taskforce urges the Commission to adopt a moratorium on the licensing of new spectrum for terrestrial and satellite services, as we requested in our Petition for Reconsideration of August 30, 1996 in ET Docket No. 93-62, pending the final resolution of the issues we have raised in that proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

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