

Metricom Priorities:

Wireless Communications Service

Metricom won several WCS licenses in auction.

- Metricom bid for spectrum based on the WCS order.
- Extending sunset date for wireless cable equipment as requested in WCA PFR alters basis upon which WCS spectrum was auctioned and is unacceptable.

Other Concerns:

CMRS Flexibility

Metricom believes that Ricochet service is CMRS.,

- We have asked the Commission to validate this conclusion.
- Commission has previously ruled that unlicensed devices are not CMRS but was silent on unlicensed services.

Other Concerns:

White Paper

Metricom is concerned that the White Paper on unlicensed spectrum and the industry that makes use of it has been abandoned.

- Sales of unlicensed products and services are forecast to increase to \$2.13 billion by 2000 representing approximately 7.5 million devices.
- The Commission needs to devote resources to understand an industry of this size.
- Without such an effort, the public interest in this spectrum and its many uses may be overlooked.

Other Concerns

OET Reorganization

Metricom is concerned about proposals to eliminate the OET.

- Central source of technical expertise, analysis and coordination within the FCC.
- Advocate of emerging technologies that lead to more efficient and creative ways to utilize the RF spectrum.
- Unlicensed industry exists only as a result of OET advocacy.