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Via ECFS

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

RE: EX PARTE NOTICE

PS Docket No. 13-239: *Improving the Resiliency of Mobile Wireless Communications Networks*
PS Docket No. 11-60: *Reliability and Continuity of Communications Networks, Including Broadband Technologies*

Ms. Dortch:

On February 24, 2015, Bradley Blanken, C. Sean Spivey and I, representing Competitive Carriers Association (“CCA”) met with Jeffery Goldthorp, John Healy, Michael Saperstein and Julia Tu of the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau of the Federal Communications Commission (“FCC” or “Commission”) to discuss the Commission’s Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (“NPRM”) in the above-referenced proceedings.¹

Specifically, we discussed the advantages and disadvantages of different methods of providing consumers and state and local authorities accurate, timely information during times of emergency in order to improve overall situational awareness.² We also discussed its current Disaster Information Reporting System (“DIRS”), the level of information that is provided to the Commission through DIRS and the level of effort required by carriers to input information into DIRS once activated. CCA discussed how outage reporting could be simplified and streamlined to reduce burdens on CCA members, while also respecting the competitive, proprietary nature of certain network data.³

This *ex parte* notification is being filed electronically with your office pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission’s Rules.

¹ *Improving the Resiliency of Mobile Wireless Communications Networks, Reliability and Continuity of Communications Networks, Including Broadband Technologies*, PS Docket Nos. 13-239, 11-60, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 28 FCC Rcd 14373 (2013) (“NPRM”).

² See NPRM ¶¶ 58-59.

³ See *Ex Parte* Letter from Rebecca Murphy Thompson, General Counsel, CCA to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, FCC, PS Docket Nos. 13-239, 11-60 at 1 (filed Feb. 13, 2015).

Regards,

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