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November 12, 2015

Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: *Ex Parte* Notice – Request For Updated Information And Comment on Wireless Hearing Aid Compatibility Regulations, WT Docket Nos. 07-250, 10-254

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The Telecommunications Industry Association (“TIA”), CTIA – The Wireless Association[®] (“CTIA”), and Competitive Carriers Association (“CCA”), who collectively represent the “Wireless Industry,” met with the following staff of the Federal Communications Commission: Brendan Carr (Legal Advisor to Commissioner Pai) on November 10, 2015; Erin McGrath (Legal Advisor – Wireless, Public Safety and International to Commissioner O’Rielly) via telephone on November 11, 2015; Johanna Thomas (Legal Advisor to Commissioner Rosenworcel), Louis Peraertz (Senior Legal Advisor – Wireless, International, and Public Safety to Commissioner Clyburn), from the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (“WTB”): Chad Breckinridge, Eli Johnson, Roger Sherman, and Peter Trachtenberg, and from the Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau (“CGB”): Karen Peltz Strauss, on November 12, 2015. The purpose of the meetings was to discuss the Commission’s consideration of changes to the wireless hearing aid compatibility (“HAC”) requirements.

At the meetings, the Wireless Industry expressed its continued commitment to the Commission’s goal of ensuring new products and services are accessible to people with hearing loss, evidenced by the current compliance rates which exceed the existing requirements. We discussed the Wireless Industry’s detailed *ex parte* letter¹ that was filed in the record on October 27, 2015, which proposes modifications to the HAC regime that are consistent with Congress’ flexible approach towards wireless HAC. The Wireless Industry noted that we remain engaged in a productive dialogue with hearing loss advocates about this issue and will continue to work with the advocates to seek a consensus-based outcome.

In attendance for all meetings were: Avonne Bell, TIA; Scott Bergmann, CTIA; Leo Fitzsimon, Wiley Rein; Kara Romagnino, CTIA; and Rebecca Murphy Thompson, CCA. William Maher and Rachel Wolkowitz, Wilkinson Barker Knauer joined on November 11, 2015; Bryanna Evans, TIA joined on November 12, 2015; Courtney Neville joined on November 12, 2015 for the meeting with CGB and WTB..

¹ See *Ex Parte* Notice of TIA, WT Docket Nos. 07-250, 10-254 (filed Oct. 27, 2015).

Pursuant to the Commission's rules,² this letter is being electronically filed via ECFS and a copy of this submission is being provided electronically to the meeting attendees.

Respectfully submitted,

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² 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206.