

December 11, 2015

VIA ECFS

Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: *Ex Parte Presentation in the Matter of Amendment of the Commission's Rules with
Regard to Commercial Operations in the 3550-3650 MHz Band, GN Docket No. 12-354*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On December 10, 2015, John Badal, President and CEO of Sacred Wind Communications, Inc. ("Sacred Wind"), Brian Tagaban, Director Governmental Policy, and myself, met with Roger Sherman, Charles Mathias, Matthew Pearl, Blaise Scinto, Stephen Buenzow, Paul Powel, and Becky Schwartz of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau in connection with the captioned proceeding.

During the meeting, as reflected in the attached presentation, we provided an overview of Sacred Wind's deployment of an advanced 3.65 GHz IP-based fixed wireless local loop network on Navajo Reservation and near-Reservation lands in New Mexico, and provided an update on the company's activities, particularly as a model for bringing voice and broadband services to historically unserved and underserved tribal lands. We also reviewed the unique costs faced by Sacred Wind given the terrain and topography of its service territory, significant rights-of-way challenges arising from the mixed and varied checkerboard land status of its service area, and particular costs that arise in connection with serving its remote Navajo customer base.

We also discussed the Commission's 3.5 GHz Citizens Broadband Radio Service Report and Order, and its impact on 3.65 GHz licensees, such as Sacred Wind. In particular, we discussed concerns with the Bureau's proposed methodology set forth in its November 10, 2015 Public Notice for determining 3.65 GHz protection zones.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions regarding this *ex parte* presentation, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully Submitted,

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