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Re: *Ex Parte Presentation*  
*American Hospital Association Task Force*  
*On Medical Telemetry*  
*ET Docket No. 00-221*

Dear Ms. Salas:

This letter is filed on behalf of the American Hospital Association Task Force on Medical Telemetry ("AHA") pursuant to Section 1.1204(a)(10) of the Commission's rules. It serves as notification that on Monday, December 17, 2001, the AHA's undersigned counsel responded to a request from the office of Commissioner Kevin H. Martin for clarification of the AHA's written position in ET Docket No. 00-221, a rulemaking proceeding that will affect the allocation to the Wireless Medical Telemetry Service ("WMTS") in the 1.4 GHz band.

The new information provided by AHA in the clarification is that the AHA and Itron (representing the interests of utility telemetry users) had tentatively agreed that utility telemetry users operating mobiles in the 1429.5 - 1432 MHz band under the very restricted power limits described below would not typically cause harmful interference to WMTS in the proposed adjacent band (1427-1429.5 MHz) that would serve as the WMTS-primary allocation in the 1427-1432 MHz band. The AHA-Itron band allocation plan (filed with each party's initial comments) proposed that the power limits for utility telemetry *fixed* operations would be no greater than (a) 1 watt EIRP from 1429.5-1430.5 MHz, (b) 10 watts EIRP in the 1430.5-1431.5 MHz band; and (c) 100 watts EIRP in the 1431.5-1432 MHz band furthest from WMTS. The tentative AHA-Itron agreement on mobiles (that had not been filed with the Commission),

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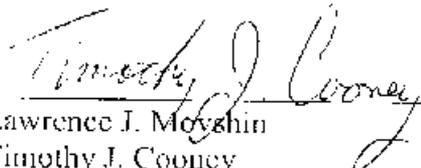
however, anticipated that utility telemetry mobiles would be further limited to 25 milliwatts in the 500 kHz band immediately adjacent to WMTS (that is, at 1429.5-1430 MHz) and at the agreed upon levels for fixed operations in the utility telemetry bands more than 500 kHz away from WMTS-primary spectrum (for example, 1 watt from 1430-1430.5 MHz). The same graduated power limits for utility telemetry mobiles (that is, 25 mW in the 500 kHz nearest WMTS spectrum) also would apply in the geographic areas subject to the proposed band flip (that is, the seven geographic areas identified in proposed footnote US 350 in the attachment to the AHA's November 2, 2001, *ex parte* submission) where WMTS would be primary in the 1429-1431.5 MHz band).

Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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