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Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: FCC WT DOCKET NO. 02-55

Dear Officials of the FCC:

The Lake County Chiefs of Police Association would like to extend **our** appreciation to the members of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau and the parties of the "800 MHz Interference Consensus Plan" for addressing interference problems with public safety communications. However, we strongly disagree with any plan that includes communication disruptions.

Public safety communications is vital to the health and welfare of the public to which they serve. With the war on terrorism being a major concern of public welfare, we are appalled that such a widely publicized plan would be supported by public safety organizations. A planned disruption in public safety communications would open the door to those that wish to inflict terror in our communities. The FCC allowed CSMR's to operate outside of the FCC's Part 90 rules and regulations that restrict the operation of CSMR's near Public Safety Radio Systems. That lack of enforcement opened the door to CSMR's (in particularly Nextel) to place "low site", "high power" transmitters within coverage areas used by 800 MHz Public Safety Radio Systems. When police and fire respond near these sites, their radios become inoperable. Nextel is the source of the problem so why not move them to another spectrum. Other licensees, interleaved within the spectrum, are not interfering with public safety so leave them alone. Maybe Nextel just needs to lower their power levels and add new filtering schemes to their systems. There **must** be a better solution to this interference problem that doesn't include relocating public safety spectrum.

Please provide a revised plan that will eliminate 800 MHz interference without migration of public safety radio systems. Planned communication disruptions are an issue of national security and cannot be tolerated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bruce N. Johnson".

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Handwritten initials "CH4" in a stylized, bold font.