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March 20, 2003

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, Southwest
12th Street Lobby, TW-A325
Washington, DC 20554

Re: *Ex Parte* Presentation
WT Docket No. 01-309

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On March 17, 2003, representatives of the Cellular Telecommunications & Internet Association (CTIA) and its member companies (list attached) met with Bryan Tramont, Senior Legal Advisor to Chairman Michael Powell and Scott Delacourt, Legal Advisor to Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Chief, John Muleta at the CTIA Wireless 2003 trade show in New Orleans, LA.

At the meeting the parties discussed the ANSI C63.19 standard. Specifically, the wireless industry representatives explained that the standard still needs additional validation before industry can be sure that the standard will offer consumers a useful guide to identify combinations of hearing aids and wireless phones that are likely to be usable. As evidence, an *ex parte* filing by Motorola on January 31, 2003 was cited. The *ex parte* reported on a study performed by Motorola in June 2002, which indicated that the ANSI C63.19 "U" levels for phones did not accurately predict users' subjective experiences with the phones. CMRS industry representatives also emphasized that the design of the standard was not contemplated to be used solely with wireless phones and that the hearing aid industry must also provide information with regard to the immunity of its products.



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Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's Rules, this letter is being filed with your office. If you have any questions concerning this submission, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ron Barnes", written in a cursive style.

Ron Barnes
Director for External & Industry Relations

cc: Bryan Tramont
Scott Delacourt

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Meeting Attendees

Barbara Baffer, Ericsson

Ron Barnes, CTIA

Jo-Anne Basile, CTIA

Mary Brooner, Motorola

Kevin Butler, Sprint PCS

Diane Cornell, CTIA

Steve Coston, SonyEricsson

Lindy Day, AT&T Wireless

Pamela Day, Samsung

David Dzumba, Nokia

Mark Esherick, Siemens

Leo Fitzsimon, Nokia

Mary Jones, T-Mobile

Luisa Lancetti, Sprint PCS

Susan Palmer, Cingular Wireless

Jim Papadopolous, Audiovox

Ray Rothermel, Nextel

Harold Salters, T-Mobile

Paul Schomburg, Panasonic

Roger Sherman, Sprint PCS

Caroline Smith, Nextel

Lorrie Turner, T-Mobile

Ross Vincenti, Siemens

Chris Wallace, Nokia

Katie Wasserman, Audiovox

Andrea Williams, CTIA