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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
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Re: Southern Illinois RSA Partnership d/b/a  
First Cellular of Southern Illinois  
*City of Richardson* Certification  
Massac County, Illinois  
WT Docket No. 03-76

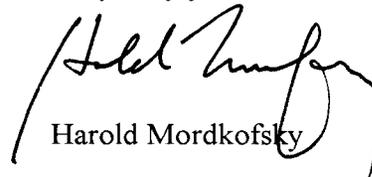
Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of Southern Illinois RSA Partnership d/b/a First Cellular of Southern Illinois, submitted herewith is its Certification regarding the readiness of the PSAP of Massac County, Illinois to receive E-911, Phase I, service.

Please refer directly to this office any questions or other correspondence concerning this filing.

I hereby certify that on this 21<sup>st</sup> day March, 2003, I mailed, by United States Postal Service mail, postage prepaid, a copy of this filing to: Keith E. Davis, Director, Massac County E-911, Superman Square, 515 Market Street, Metropolis, Illinois 62960.

Very truly yours,



Harold Mordkofsky

**SOUTHERN ILLINOIS RSA PARTNERSHIP d/b/a  
FIRST CELLULAR OF SOUTHERN ILLINOIS  
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Re: *City of Richardson* Certification  
Massac County, Illinois  
WT Docket No. 03-76

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This Certification is filed pursuant to the Commission's *Order on Reconsideration*, CC Docket No. 94-102, released November 26, 2002, in the *City of Richardson* proceedings, as modified by the *Public Notice*, DA 03-797, released March 14, 2003, establishing WT Docket No. 03-76.

Southern Illinois RSA Partnership d/b/a First Cellular of Southern Illinois ("First Cellular") is the licensee of Cellular Radiotelephone Service stations KNKN506 and KNKN820, the Frequency Block B cellular systems serving the Illinois 8 - Washington and Illinois 9 - Clay Rural Service Areas, respectively, in southern Illinois.

In May 2001, we received a letter, dated May 17, 2001, from Keith E. Davis, Director of Massac County E-911, Metropolis, Illinois, advising us that Massac County Emergency Telephone System Board ("Massac County") would serve as the public safety answering point for handling wireless 911 calls for the County of Massac. While the letter falls short in this regard, it could be interpreted as a notification that Massac County is equipped to receive E-911, Phase 1, service and as a request that First Cellular provide such service .

Based upon subsequent coordination between First Cellular and Massac County, we have determined that Massac County is not ready to receive E-911, Phase I, service. From what we can determine, it appears that Massac County's ALI-ANI equipment will need to be upgraded before it will be capable of receiving and utilizing the data elements associated with Phase I service. It is our understanding that such upgrade will not be completed until May or June of this year at the earliest.

In a letter dated February 26, 2003, Mr. Davis was notified by our communications counsel of our intention to file this Certification notifying the Commission of our understandings in this matter, as stated above. Mr. Davis was also called to let him know the letter was being sent. No response has been received from Mr. Davis and none is anticipated.

We are continuing to maintain coordination with Mr. Davis' office; and, as soon as it is demonstrated that Massac County is equipped to receive and utilize the data elements associated with E-911, Phase I, service, we will provide the service in a timely manner.

I hereby declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed this 21<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2003.<sup>1</sup>

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Seger', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Tania Seger  
Vice President - CFO

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<sup>1</sup> While the *Order on Reconsideration* in CC Docket 94-102 referred to above (at paragraph 17) requires that the certification be in the form of an affidavit by an officer or director of the carrier, Section 1.16 of the Commission's Rules permits the use of a declaration under penalty of perjury, in the form used here, as a substitute.