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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

**Re: Ex Parte Presentation
CC Docket No. 94-102
WT Docket No. 02-377**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On September 16, 2003, Caressa D. Bennet, representing the Rural Telecommunications Group (“RTG”), Michael K. Kurtis, representing the Tier III Coalition for Wireless E911 (“Tier III”), Jill Canfield, from the National Telecommunications Cooperative Association (“NTCA”) and Jeffrey Smith from the Organization for the Promotion and Advancement of Small Telecommunications Carriers (“OPASTCO”), met with Sheryl Wilkerson, Legal Advisor for Federal Communications Commission (“FCC” or “Commission”) Chairman Michael K. Powell, and Jennifer Manner, Senior Counsel for FCC Commissioner Kathleen Q. Abernathy, regarding E911 issues set forth in RTG’s August 29, 2003 Petition for waiver and temporary limited stay of certain provisions of Section 20.18 of the FCC’s rules governing the provision of Phase II E911 service for certain categories of small rural wireless carriers, and Tier III’s November 20, 2002 Petition for Forbearance from E911 Accuracy Standards Imposed on Tier III Carriers filed with the Commission in the above-captioned proceedings.

With regards to CC Docket No. 94-102, the group also discussed the following E911 Waivers filed with the Commission on August 25, 2003: 1) Minnesota Southern Wireless Company d/b/a HickoryTech; 2) Missouri RSA No. 7 Limited Partnership d/b/a Lyrix Wireless; 3) Iowa RSA 2 Limited Partnership d/b/a Lyrix Wireless; 4) RSA 1 Limited Partnership d/b/a Cellular 29 Plus; 5) Northwest Missouri Cellular Limited Partnership; and 6) Public Service Cellular, Inc. and Enterprise Wireless PCS, LLC. In addition, Public Service Cellular, Inc.’s E911 Waiver filed on May 9, 2003 (which was withdrawn on May 15, 2003) and Carolina PCS I Limited Partnership’s E911 Waiver filed on February 6, 2001 (which subsequently became moot upon the assignment of the underlying licenses) were also discussed.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please communicate directly with the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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