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Ms. Marlene Dortch
Secretary Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
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RE: WT Docket 94-102

The City of Lufkin Police and Fire departments provide public safety emergency services to a population of 32,000. This population increases to 50,000+ during normal workdays as people from all parts of our county and surrounding counties travel to work within the City. Our 9-1-1 center plays a major roll in providing emergency communication services within our twelve county region.

It is my opinion that the Commissioners take serious consideration regarding the comments filed by APCO International relating to WT Docket 94-102. Any ruling should insist that wireless carriers demonstrate compliance with the average accuracy levels specified in the FCC rules. Levels of population vary is certain areas of each state and the most essential way to provide accuracy testing is to perform these tests at the local level. It is also my opinion that accuracy testing be performed locally every two years.

The protection of lives and property is one of the sole priorities of public safety entities. Many will agree that each link in this chain of protection is vital. Accurate location of the 9-1-1 caller is one of the first links and without the most accurate information, lives may be lost. Our agency has past experience of delayed response time due to the accuracy of the caller's location and keeping our priorities in sight, this is not acceptable.

I urge the Commissioners to insist on providing clear and concise guidance for the wireless industry to ensure that 9-1-1 caller location accuracy is as precise as possible. I also urge the Commissioners to insist that the levels of accuracy be at the local level.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

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