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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
The Portals
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: WT Docket No. 05-63
Notice of Oral Ex Parte Presentation

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Representatives from Nextel Communications, Inc. and Sprint Corporation met yesterday with Barry Ohlson, Senior Legal Advisor to Commissioner Jonathan S. Adelstein, and Cori Wright, who serves on the staff of Commissioner Adelstein. Representing Nextel were Robert Foosaner, Senior Vice President and Chief Regulatory Officer; Thomas Kelly, Chief Operating Officer; and Lawrence Krevor, Vice President of Government Affairs. Representing Sprint was Vonya McCann, Senior Vice President, Federal External Affairs. The parties discussed Sprint's and Nextel's resolute commitment to deploy innovative new services in the 2.5 GHz band in accordance with the Commission's recently adopted 2.5 GHz spectrum transition plan. The Commission's new rules, which became effective January 10, 2005, will – when fully implemented – de-interleave the high- and low-power 2.5 GHz services that today prevent the widespread deployment of advanced wireless broadband services in this band.

A significant public interest benefit of the proposed merger of Sprint and Nextel is the combined company's ability to deploy wireless interactive multimedia services (WIMS) to consumers across the nation. By sharing assets, expertise, personnel, investments, and technology, Sprint and Nextel intend to provide Americans with integrated wireless solutions by incorporating devices, applications, and smart network technologies into an intuitive user service.

None of this will be possible, however, without the participation of transition proponents that, under the Commission's plan, must conceive, organize, fund, and implement the 2.5 GHz spectrum reconfiguration plan to enable WIMS deployments.

To realize this vision, Sprint and Nextel have each conducted costly technical trials, begun the labor-intensive process of reconfiguring the 2.5 GHz spectrum to the new band plan, and announced field tests with equipment vendors and manufacturers that are vying to provide equipment for Sprint's and Nextel's planned 2.5 GHz deployments. Upon approval of the pending merger application, Sprint and Nextel intend to invest heavily to become a leading proponent of the transition process across the nation – both in urban and rural areas – and to deliver new, multimedia products and services to consumers.

Accordingly, approving the merger of Sprint and Nextel will propel the development of innovative applications and devices that enrich the lives of millions of Americans. Under section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b)(2), please associate this letter with WT Docket No. 05-63.

Sincerely,

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