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RE: ET Docket No. 06-103

To Whom It May Concern,

The North Dakota Department of Agriculture (DOA) supports USDA policy on the National Animal Identification System (NAIS) that states, "The system must be flexible enough to utilize existing technologies and incorporate new identification technologies as they are developed."

Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) devices that use Ultra Wide Band (UWB) systems appear to address some of the concerns regarding technologies that keep in pace with the speed of cattle commerce. We encourage FCC to do the following:

- Study and seek to understand all issues associated with implementation of the NAIS.
- Pay particular attention to those technology issues that fall under the regulatory purview of the FCC.
- Make decisions based on the need for the US livestock industry to implement the NAIS expediently, efficiently and economically using the most appropriate technologies.

Sincerely,

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