

August 3, 2006

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
12th Street Lobby, TW-A325  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: *Ex Parte Communication, WT Docket No. 05-211***

Dear Ms. Dortch,

CTIA - The Wireless Association® writes in support of the Motion for Extension of Comment and Reply Comment Deadlines filed on July 25, 2006, in the above-captioned docket by Council Tree Communications, Inc. (“Council Tree”).<sup>1</sup> CTIA shares Council Tree’s concerns that the Commission’s anti-collusion rule, 47 C.F.R. § 1.2105(c), may limit the ability of parties to meaningfully respond to proposed rule changes detailed in the *Designated Entity Second Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*.<sup>2</sup> CTIA agrees that no parties will be prejudiced by a brief extension that will serve the public interest by increasing the likelihood of a fuller record in this proceeding. CTIA notes that other parties have filed in support of extending the comment and reply comment deadlines.<sup>3</sup> CTIA, therefore, supports Council Tree’s request to extend the comment date to one month after the post-auction down payment deadline and to extend the deadline for the submission of reply comments to a date that is at least one month after the new comment deadline.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission’s rules, a copy of this letter is being filed via ECFS with your office. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

/s/ Paul Garnett

Paul Garnett

<sup>1</sup> Council Tree Communications, Inc., Motion for Extension of Comment and Reply Comment Deadlines, WT Docket No. 05-211 (filed Jul. 25, 2006).

<sup>2</sup> See *In the Matter of Implementation of the Commercial Spectrum Enhancement Act and Modernization of the Commission’s Competitive Bidding Rules and Procedures*, WT Docket No. 05-211, Second Report and Order and Second Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 06-52 (rel. Apr. 25, 2006).

<sup>3</sup> See Joint Letter from Stuart Polikoff, Organization for the Promotion and Advancement of Small Telecommunications Companies (OPASTCO), Kenneth C. Johnson, the Rural Telecommunications Group (RTG), and John A. Prendergast, Blooston, Mordkofsky, Dickens, Duffy & Prendergast, LLP, to Marlene H. Dortch, FCC (Jul. 27, 2006).