

**Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of)	
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Section 68.4(a) of the Commission’s Rules)	WT Docket No. 01-309
Governing Hearing Aid-Compatible Telephones)	RM-8658
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Hearing Aid Compatibility Report

Licenseses NTCH, Inc. and IAT Communications, Inc. and its operating subsidiaries, NTCH-CA, Inc., NTCH-IDAHO, Inc., and NTCH-WEST TENN, Inc. (collectively, “NTCH”), by their attorneys, pursuant to the Federal Communications Commission’s (“Commission” or “FCC”) *Order* in WT Docket No. 01-309,¹ and the subsequent *Public Notice* in the same proceeding,² hereby file their required Report detailing their efforts towards compliance with the FCC’s hearing aid compatibility requirements. NTCH is including in its Report all information of which it has knowledge, but does not address those reporting requirements in the *Order* that can be adequately answered only by the individual handset manufacturers.

I. Carrier Background

NTCH is a small carrier operation that provides Commercial Mobile Radio Service (“CMRS”) in predominantly rural areas.

II. Handsets Currently Offered for Sale

NTCH currently offers for sale handsets manufactured by Kyocera, Nokia, Motorola and LG. The specific handset models are the Kyocera KX1, KX13, KX16, KX160, KX5, KX9B, and SE44; the Nokia 2128 and 6015; the Motorola c341 and v262; and the LG 5000, 4270, 225, and 3200. The Kyocera KX1, KX5, and KX9B handsets; the Nokia 6015 handset; the Motorola v262 handset; and the LG 5000 and 225 handsets have been certified by the FCC’s Office of Engineering and Technology as M-rated hearing aid compatible (HAC) compliant. On September 14, 2006, NTCH requested a temporary and limited waiver of Section 20.19(d)(2) of

¹ In the Matter of Section 68.4(a) of the Commission’s Rules Governing Hearing Aid-Compatible Telephones, *Report and Order*, WT Docket No. 01-309 (August 14, 2003) (“*Order*”).

² Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Announces Hearing Aid Compatibility Reporting Dates for Wireless Carriers and Handset Manufacturers, *Public Notice*, WT Docket No. 01-309 (March 8, 2004) (“*Public Notice*”).

the Commission's rules until January 1, 2007 in order to gain more time to acquire and begin selling T-coil ("T-rated") HAC-compliant handsets. NTCH's January 1, 2007 timetable for T-rated compliance is based on its experiences and contacts with manufacturers and distributors and publicly available information regarding handset availability.

III. Hearing Aid Compatible Handset Labeling/Insert Requirement

The Kyocera KX1, KX5, and KX9B handsets; the Nokia 6015 handset; the Motorola v262 handset; and the LG 5000 and 225 handsets that NTCH has available for sale to its subscribers have a label attached on the handset's packaging indicating the U-rating of the wireless telephone and an insert describing the U-rating system.

IV. Outreach Efforts

NTCH is educating its customers on the functionality of the hearing aid compatible handsets it sells. Additionally, NTCH has a flexible return policy for consumers seeking to obtain hearing aid compatible CDMA digital wireless handsets.

Respectfully submitted,

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