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**VIA ECFS**

Ms. Marlene Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: M2Z Networks, Inc.**  
***Application for License and Authority to Provide National Broadband Radio Service in the 2155-2175 MHz Band; Petition for Forbearance under 47 U.S.C. § 160(c) to Permit Acceptance and Grant of Its Application***  
**WT Docket Nos. 07-16 and 07-30**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On November 27, 2006, Representative Louis M. Pate, Jr. of the North Carolina General Assembly sent a letter to Chairman Kevin J. Martin supporting M2Z Networks, Inc.'s ("M2Z") Application for License and Authority to Provide National Broadband Radio Service in the 2155-2175 MHz Band (the "Application"). Representative Pate's letter was subsequently included in the record of the above-referenced proceedings.

Representative Pate's letter discusses a recent study conducted by the e-NC Authority (formerly the North Carolina Rural Internet Authority) ("e-NC") on Internet usage in North Carolina. Among its findings in this study, e-NC reports that 18% of households in North Carolina do not have the ability to access high-speed Internet services. In rural households, this number jumps to 22% of households without such access compared to 14% in urban households. These statistics show that, despite current efforts to increase broadband access, rural households continue to lag behind their urban counterparts. M2Z's entry into the broadband market will provide an affordable service alternative to increase Internet access among rural households. This result is consistent with the Commission's public interest mandate.

Accordingly, in the interests of establishing a more complete record in this proceeding and aiding the Commission in evaluating the public interest benefits of granting M2Z's Application, either directly or under the Commission's forbearance authority, the following document referenced in Representative Pate's letter is submitted herewith:

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- *e-NC Study on High-Speed Internet Access in North Carolina (Executive Summary Only)*, published by the e-NC Authority (Dec. 31, 2005) (reporting that 82.01% of total households in North Carolina have the ability to access high-speed Internet services, but that such service is available to only 77.78% of rural households).

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

/s/

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