

BEFORE THE
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of)
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Section 20.19 of the Commission's Rules) WT Docket No. 01-
309
Governing Hearing Aid-Compatible Telephones) RM-8658

**Report and Request for Waiver--47 C.F.R. § 20.19(d)(2)
Hearing Aid Compatibility--Inductive Coupling**

Nemont Communications, Inc., Sagebrush Cellular, Inc., and Triangle Communication System, Inc. ("Reporters"), digital wireless service providers, pursuant to the Federal Communications Commission's ("Commission" or "FCC") *Report and Order* in WT Docket No. 01-309, FCC 03-168, 29 CR 1299 (August 14, 2003), hereby files a report concerning the availability of digital phones for the hearing impaired and, if the Commission agrees that Reporter's handsets are fully HAC compliant, Reporter withdraws its request for a waiver of 47 C.F.R. § 20.19(d)(2).¹ This filing does not address the reporting requirements or waiver needs required by the *Report and Order* which are properly addressed by handset manufacturers who are in the best position to report on their own activities.

¹ On July 7, 2004 the FCC published notice that it had obtained OMB approval to collect hearing aid compatibility reports from wireless carriers. 69 Fed. Reg. 40928 (Wednesday, July 7, 2004). Pursuant to the Report and Order, Amendment of Section 68.4(a) of the Commission's Rules Governing Hearing Aid-Compatible Telephones, 68 Fed. Reg. 54173 (September 16, 2003), reports are due every six months after rule effectiveness for the first three years and then annually for the next two years. The first reports were filed in November 2004.

I. Carrier Information

Reporters are small Commercial Mobile Radio Services carriers providing wireless services in rural Montana. Reporters have not received a request for a HAC handset.

II. Handset Discussion

Reporters, in compliance with 47 C.F.R. § 20.19(c)(2)(i)(A) and 47 C.F.R. § 20.19(d)(2) offers the following M and T compliant handsets to its subscribers:

Handsets which are M4 & T4 Compliant:

Motorola V323
Motorola SLVR L7c
Motorola RAZR V3c
Motorola RAZR V3m
Motorola KRZR K1m

Handsets which are M3 or M4 Compliant:

Nokia 6255
Nokia 6015
LG 5000
Motorola V710

III. Hearing Aid Compatible Handset Labeling/Insert Requirement

The HAC-compliant phones which are distributed by Reporters contain an information sheet or instruction manual which describes the HAC capabilities of the handsets. The boxes containing the HAC-compliant handsets either have preprinted HAC rating information or have HAC rating labels which Reporters apply prior to retail distribution.

IV. Outreach Efforts & Interoperability

Reporters have tested the HAC-compliant handsets which are distributed by them and they work well throughout Reporters' service area. Reporters make reasonably available to disabled subscribers and disabled potential subscribers of HAC-compliant, via

the retail handset distribution facility, current technical and anecdotal information regarding the hearing aid compatibility of specific wireless handsets including both HAC-compliant and non-HAC-compliant handsets.

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