



SOUTH DAKOTA SENATE

RYAN MAHER
DISTRICT 28 STATE SENATE

July 16, 2007

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

RE: Docket No. 07-16

Dear Mrs. Secretary,

As a State Senator from Isabel, South Dakota, I have a responsibility to my constituents to always keep their best interests at heart. For this reason, I write to you today on behalf of M2Z Networks and docket no. 07-16.

Their proposal to offer fast, free, family-friendly broadband internet service would benefit many people living in South Dakota, especially those in the small business sector. As a small business owner, I would be pleased to have the privilege of internet access without cost. Technology is expensive and with internet costing \$45 per month, on average, many people can't afford it.

I am a strong advocate for South Dakota's small businesses. I believe they help drive the economy and should be afforded certain "luxuries" for providing such a service. I ask that your commission rule favorably upon M2Z Networks' request. A free, nationwide wireless broadband network is something this country needs.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ryan Maher".

Ryan Maher
State Senator, District 28

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