

December 14, 2007

The Honorable Kevin J. Martin
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Room 8 - B201
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Free and Family Friendly Broadband for Mississippi–WT
Docket 07-195

Dear Chairman Martin,

As the State Senator-Elect from District 20 as well as a former assistant director of the state's largest denominational Action Coalition, one of my top priorities will be to ensure that the people of Mississippi have the tools they need to succeed. Increasingly, all Americans, and particularly Mississippians, need safe and affordable access to broadband Internet. Recognizing the great promise that this proceeding holds for the creation of a broadband service that is free of both service fees and online filth, I write to urge the Commission to make such a service a reality.

Over the last year, advocates from the great state of Mississippi have been strong supporters of efforts to establish a free broadband network that protects children from exposure to indecent materials online. More than 30 members of the Mississippi Legislature wrote letters to the Commission detailing the myriad benefits such a service would bring to the people of Mississippi. In addition, the Jackson City Council held a public hearing on July 20, 2007, to learn more about what is being done at the Federal Communications Commission to bring affordable, family-friendly broadband to Jackson. Soon after, more than 700 of my fellow Mississippians joined more than 50,000 Americans in signing a petition that was delivered to the Commission supporting the creation of a free nationwide broadband service.

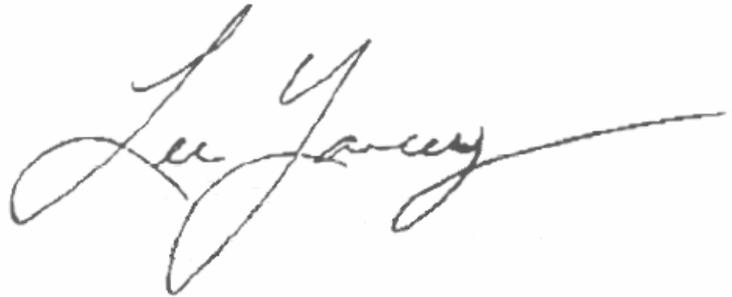
In light of this tremendous outpouring of support from our state, I am thankful that the Commission has explicitly sought comment on whether it should establish a free and family-friendly broadband service. The people and leaders of Mississippi have demonstrated significant interest in establishing a broadband service that is as affordable as over-the-air television. However, we also recognize that children who go online need as much, if not more, protection than children who watch television due to the pervasive and always on nature of these wireless signals. To this end, I have attached these comments from WT-Docket 07-16 and 07-30 to assist the

Commission in its contemplation of service rules for the 2155-2175 MHz spectrum band.

Among the 50 states, Mississippi may be the most likely to benefit from the rapid deployment of a wireless broadband service that is both affordable and safe. Mississippians are deeply religious people and concerned about the spread of pornography into our homes and schools. At the same time, we recognize the remarkable educational, economic, and civic opportunities that a free service would bring to our state, particularly given the unfortunate number of Mississippians living in poverty. I believe that a service which is free of pornography and expensive monthly subscription charges will reconcile the needs of citizens of our state (and much of the nation).

I recognize that members of the wireless industry may oppose a free and family-friendly broadband service. The reality is that the industry often needs a push to change their business model to answer the impassioned calls of consumers. Please don't let the industry off by claiming that such a service cannot be offered. Our country is strongest when we set a goal and march toward it. If American ingenuity can get us to the moon and beyond, we can establish an affordable and pornography free wireless broadband service.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Senator-Elect Lee Yancey
Mississippi State Senator-Elect, District 20

cc:

The Honorable Deborah Taylor Tate
The Honorable Robert McDowell
The Honorable Michael Copps
The Honorable Jonathan Adelstein



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Executive Contingent Fund, Chairman
March 29, 2007

FCC Secretary Marlene Dortch
Federal Communications Commission
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RE: Docket #07-16

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The internet is a medium for education, socialization, and commerce. It is one of the greatest means of communication in our society. Some find it impossible to carry out their day to day procedures without the internet. Yet, the fact remains, a large percentage of Americans are not allowed these same opportunities due to not being able to access the internet. Whether geographical hindrances or monetary issues that cause this divide, it is our countries responsibility to close this gap in society.

M2Z Networks has proposed a plan that would allow American families and small business owners to have accessibility to the internet through a nationwide broadband data network. This plan would supplement existing connectivity projects and aid in communities development. From students using the internet for research and assistance in their studies to the \$26.3 billion in retail sales via the internet during the 2006 2nd Quarter alone, internet access is essential to fully functioning in our society. The need for nationwide internet access is more prevalent today and increasingly so tomorrow.

Please support this free universal wireless broadband network to afford all American's the same opportunities. A network like this would save families money and provide a means to access the internet to single mothers and minority communities who otherwise can not afford, not the luxury of but, the necessity of the internet.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Johnnie Walls", written over a circular stamp or seal.

Senator Johnnie Walls
MS State Representative
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CC: Chairman Kevin Martin
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March 6, 2007

Marlene Dortch, Secretary
FCC Office of the Secretary
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Re: Nationwide Broadband Internet Service

Dear Secretary Dortch:

It has come to my attention that we may be facing the issue of providing a nationwide internet access system in the coming months. I am personally interested in this issue for a number of reasons, none more important than the safety of Mississippians, especially those living in rural areas of the state.

Many rural residents in Mississippi lack access to internet and communication services. Problems of this nature in urban areas have long been eliminated while rural residents access has yet to be addressed. While everyone pays for nationwide Broadband Internet Services, the amount of infrastructure created for wireless service in rural America still lags alarmingly behind. Mississippians were reminded of this troubling gap all too well during the 2005 hurricane season.

First responders, farmers, concerned parents...all these groups deserve to have peace of mind when it comes to successfully communicating during the course of their work day let alone during a disaster of catastrophic proportion.

Please help Mississippi and the rest of American realize the full potential of our technology by creating a safe, free internet system. Help us make America stronger and safer, for everyone.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alice V. Harden".

Mississippi Senator Alice V. Harden
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Economic Development
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December 12, 2006

Chairman Kevin Martin
Federal Communications Commission
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Washington, DC 20554

Re: Broadband Access for Small Businesses

Mr. Chairman:

The small businesses that do not have access to the internet are foregoing advantageous marketing opportunities. The Internet is a maze and it is easy to stumble across one thing while looking for another. I have found many great things by accident, when searching the Internet. Additionally, these small businesses are not able to participate fully in the world of e-commerce.

As a duly elected state senator from Mississippi it is important for your members to understand the significance of eliminating the monthly cost to so many through the opportunity afforded by a free broadband program. The Internet offers unparalleled resources for businesses. For small businesses, these resources have barely been tapped. Currently, only 35% of small businesses have websites. Websites allow businesses to reach the global market; no other medium has this potential and without any cost; it would be phenomenal.

Because they lack do not have access to the internet, they are missing opportunities to make money. The less money these business owners make, the less money they will have to pump into the American economy. It is a vicious cycle that is doomed to repeat itself unless we do something to stop it. You have a proposal in front of you for fast free internet. This is exactly what the small business owners of America need.

Small businesses account for nearly all of the businesses that operate in America. Due to a lack of broadband internet access, they are suffering and so is the American economy. When deliberating on the vitally important decision, please consider the burden the economy will suffer if our small businesses continue to operate without tapping their market potential. Fast, free internet is the smart solution.

Sincerely,

Senator John Horhn
Senate District 26 Mississippi

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Commissioner Tate*
Commissioner McDowell*
FCC Secretary Marlene Dortch*
Kathy Seidel, Acting Chief, Wireless Bureau*
Representative Pickering
Senator Lott
Senator Cochran



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March 6, 2007

Ms. Marlene Dortch
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In Regards to: Docket # 07-16

Dear Ms. Secretary:

In order to attain a society in which all members can succeed, it is essential to provide the opportunity to all citizens to access the tools needed to thrive. We need the accessibility of food, clothing, shelter... of course, but how are we going to attain these things when we are not granted the very means to function in society. Education, a strong economy, communication and socialization are a few things that the internet now provides. These are exactly what it will take to survive in today's quickly changing technological world.

By affording all citizens the opportunity to access the internet, we are opening the door of opportunity to minorities, single mothers, and individuals who live in low income areas, so that they too may compete in the work force and in our culture. In Ma 2006 M2Z proposed a plan to provide a nationwide internet service. Our constituents, here in Mississippi, would benefit from this plan and be allowed to step up our competition level as we better educate, inform, and participate in today's ever progressing society. It is in the behalf of my fellow Mississippians and myself that I ask for your support in providing this free, family-friendly internet service.

Sincerely,

MS Senator Videt Carmichael
District 33

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US Senator Thad Cochran



Mississippi State Senate

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March 8, 2007

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Federal Communications Commission
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Washington, DC 20554

Re: Broadband Internet, Docket # 07-16

Dear Secretary Dortch:

The empowerment of the minds of our youth is the responsibility of us all. As I understand it, you have been presented with a proposal that could help educate our nations children by allowing them each accessibility to the Internet via an open broadband system that would eventually reach nationwide. For our children whose families have less than average median incomes and who reside in areas that are, as far as connectivity, under developed, this is a powerful opportunity to extend the educational possibilities to our children.

Please, when considering docket #07-16, remember our youth and the great opportunities a free access to the Internet could provide for these who hold our future.

Sincerely,


Senator Gary Jackson

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cc: Chairman Kevin Martin
Commissioner Copps
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Joint Legislative Budget Committee

March 29, 2007

Secretary Marlene Dortch
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
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RE: Docket #07-16

Dear Ms. Dortch:

In America, there is an inequality among minorities and those living in areas that are under developed as opposed to citizen's whose economic means supersede the aforementioned. This disparity is increasingly apparent by the accessibility of the internet in our homes across the nation. A free national broadband serve would lessen the inequity that presently exists.

Currently, you have a proposal from a company that is willing to make this type of system a reality. Please, help to bridge the digital divide that now exist in America.

Sincerely,

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Senator Hillman Frazier
State of Mississippi

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March 30, 2007

Marlene Dortch, Secretary
FCC Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street SW
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Re: Docket # 07-16

Dear Secretary:

An exciting medium for learning possibilities, the internet can build a stronger future for our children. It is our responsibility to shape an environment that is rich in quality educational content and to make it accessible to all of our children. The information superhighway is an integral part of our national landscape and our educational future. Our children must be exposed to it today in order to succeed tomorrow.

The Internet is a vital part of a sound educational future and offers tremendous potential to help students learn and help teachers teach basic and advanced skills. Providing admission to world-class libraries and museums and specific information and answers about most all subjects is a strategic way to enhance and build the kind of high standards of learning that we want every community and every school to develop

Many of our families nationwide, and especially in Mississippi, can not afford this essential learning tool. Please make sure that every single child, no matter what his or her background, economic well being or geographical location, has access to these technological resources. Provide a nationwide broadband service to expand educational opportunities for all, and not exacerbate the differences that already exist.

Respectfully,

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Representative John Moore
District 60 House of Representatives
State of Mississippi

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In Regards to: Docket # 07-16

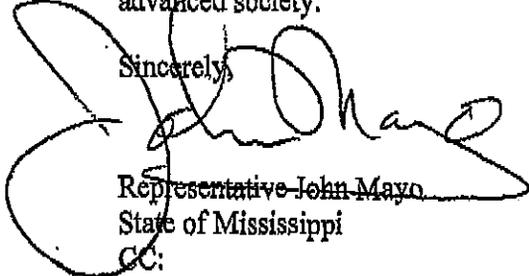
Dear Ms. Secretary:

I am writing today in support of the proposal laid before you by M2Z Networks. Any policy that would help broaden the horizons of our constituents and spark growth in our economy deserves to be looked at whole heartedly. Having been in the Mississippi legislature, I am increasingly aware of the dire need for all Mississippians, both individuals and small businesses, to be able to access the internet. The internet is at the very essence of excelling in today's technological society.

With nationwide access to the internet, we open up doors for the furthering of research for students and individuals with diverse interest, communication, employment opportunities, and so much more. Allowing all American's access to the internet not only creates a level playing field for our citizen's, but will also strengthen our economy.

Please, do not allow America to fall further behind nations that already provide this type accessibility to their citizen's. When considering docket #07-16 please remember that despite economic status or geographical location, all Americans deserve to attain access to the internet, as it is the means by which we are able to thrive in today's technologically advanced society.

Sincerely,



Representative John Mayo
State of Mississippi

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Marlene Dortch, Secretary
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Re: Docket # 07-16: Save Lives

Dear Secretary:

Katrina ravaged my district leaving so many in her wake; I cannot help but ponder if there was a way that more of my constituents, Mississippian's of the Gulf Coast and my counties to their north, could have been saved. As the Representative of District 105 in Mississippi, I implore you to carefully consider the proposal from M2Z Networks to create national broadband internet access.

Our first responders need a stronger system for communication and this network could provide many enhancements to strengthen our current system. This network would provide a secondary system that would act as a back up for our first responders and create more reliability in moments of crisis. Communication is a key necessity in situations like Katrina, and the break down of communication cost lives. When considering docket #07-16 remember those who lost their lives and ask the same question I continue to ask: If we had a stronger system of communication could we save more lives? I believe we can, and I believe we should.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shaun Walley".

Rep. Shaun Walley
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Secretary Marlene Dortch
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Washington, DC 20554

In regards to: Docket # 07-16

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Our society is increasingly reliant on the powers of the Internet to provide us with access to a vast world of commerce, communication, and cultivation. Currently, the United States lags behind other countries who are providing readily accessible, and affordable access to the internet.

I support the implementation of a free universal wireless broadband access network for all Americans. I sincerely hope these proposal are being given the merit they deserve.

Mississippi and the United States, in my opinion, can better attain their potential if the opportunity exist for all constituents to access the Internet. Please support this effort in allowing technology to impact as positively as possible our great nation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda Whittington".

Representative Linda Whittington
State of Mississippi

CC:

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

Re: Broadband Internet, Docket # 07-16

Dear Ms. Secretary:

The Internet is a powerful tool of commerce that, with nationwide accessibility, could be used to strengthen our economy and help us be more competitive with other nations around the world. Currently, America falls short in providing affordable internet access to its citizens. Other nations already have insured reasonably priced broadband access. It is time for America to step up to the challenge and ensure that our constituents can compete on a level playing field not only with each other, but with nations across the globe.

As more consumers are connected and able to access the boundless information and at the click of a mouse shopping provided by the Internet, we only ensure economical growth in our nation. Please support docket #07-16, and provide a free nationwide broadband system for all Americans regardless of their economical means or geographical location.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jessica Upshaw".

Representative Jessica Upshaw
State of Mississippi

CC:

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March 30, 2007

Marlene Dortch, Secretary
FCC Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street SW
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Re: Docket # 07-16

Dear Secretary:

Among many things thriving via the Internet, commerce, communication, employment opportunities, parenting resources, and an immense pool of information exist that a single mother could benefit from. Unfortunately, the opportunity to access this information to these individuals, who are in one of the most dire needs for it, are often the ones who cannot afford this resource.

Most children use these technologies as well beginning at an early age. It is apparent however, that disability, urban city, and the household type (2 parent vs. 1 parent homes) create a digital divide in the children able to access the web. To limit internet access to those who can afford it, not only keeps our less fortunate unconnected, but feeds the vicious cycle that will keep these individuals from competing for employment opportunities.

If we have the opportunity to provide a free broadband internet access to all Americans, we should grasp onto the opportunity and provide this most valuable resource to those who need it so desperately.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Clayton Smith".

Representative Clayton Smith
District 59 House of Representatives
State of Mississippi

CC:

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March 6, 2007

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In Regards to: Docket # 07-16

Dear Ms. Secretary:

I have the prestige honor of serving on several of the Mississippi House of Representatives' committees. As a result, I am increasingly aware of the dire need for all Mississippians, both individuals and small businesses, to be able to access the internet. The internet is a tool of today's society, without which function ability is limited.

Currently, economic status or location can hinder an individual's ability to access the internet. With nationwide access to the internet, we open up doors for the furthering of research for students and individuals with diverse interest, communication, employment opportunities, and so much more. Allowing all American's access to the internet not only creates a level playing field for our citizen's, but will also strengthen our economy.

Allow Americans to compete not only evenly within our nation, but to compete with nations that already offer fast and affordable broadband options for their citizens and businesses. When considering docket #07-16 please remember that all Americans deserve to attain access to the internet as it is essential to surviving in today's technologically advanced society.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dannie Reed".

Representative Dannie Reed
State of Mississippi

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RE: Docket No. 07-16; Pctition for free wireless internet

Dear Secretary Dortch:

As a Representative of a small town I understand both the great benefits presented by them as well as the costs of living in a small town. The largest issues that bombard my constituents is having to compete with larger, more developed cities for business investments and jobs. Due to our less developed resources, municipalities like mine are unable to compete on a level playing field with larger, urbanized communities.

Fast reliable internet service is costly and sometimes unavailable in the more rural areas. Providing citizens of these communities an affordable broadband access would help them compete for jobs and in society. M2Z Networks has placed an application, Docket No 07-16, filed at the end of January for free wireless internet. This poses a solution that would help bridge the digital divide.

This presents the opportunity for good not only for small towns, but would help supplement existing services by providing a free backhaul. When taking this proposal into consideration please remember the municipalities and the great affect this plan could have on all Americans.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Clint Rotenberry".

Clint Rotenberry
MS State Representative
District 77

CC: FCC Chairman, Kevin Martin
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RE: Application by M2Z Networks, Docket No. 07-16

Dear Mrs. Secretary:

The commission for which you work has served the constituents of this country well. Once again Americans are in need of your assistance. As you know, the majority of the population does not have access to high speed internet, which is an integral part of today's society. Income gaps are only accentuated by this plaque.

As more of the fundamental services that are needed in order to compete and survey in our society shift to the Internet, the need for internet access is only greatened. If we wish to maintain our strength as a nation we must insure that our citizens to not fall into a technological gap.

M2Z Networks, in conjunction with the Coalition for Free Broadband Now, has a petition in front of your commission that would enable over 95% of the population to access a fast, free, and family friendly internet portal. I do hope that you will join me in supporting this most commendable effort in which they have presented.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen Palazzo".

Rep. Stephen Palazzo,
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Marlene Dortch, Secretary
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Re: Docket # 07-16: Close the great divide

Dear Secretary:

The Internet is a tool that assists Americans every aspect of their lives. Unfortunately, it is not equally available to everyone. There is a significant division as it relates to the distribution of information in America, and no where is it more evident than in the varied access we Mississippian's have to one of the most important communication tools of human history - the Internet.

It has come to my attention that M2Z Networks is offering to independently promote the execution of a free universal wireless broadband access network for all Americans. I sincerely hope these proposals are being taken seriously. With a state as educationally and economically challenged as Mississippi it is imperative that the playing field be as level as possible.

A free universal wireless broadband network would serve to dramatically close the gap between minority communities that have high speed Internet access and those that don't, making access to high speed Internet easier for minorities.

Please encourage your commission members to understand the significance of the opportunity, and approve access to a free universal wireless broadband network. This action alone may sincerely bring about the next great enlightenment of our time.

Sincerely,

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Representative Bryant Clark
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FCC Secretary Marlene Dortch
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Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

RE: Docket #07-16

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The internet is a medium for education, socialization, and commerce. It is one of the greatest means of communication in our society. Some find it impossible to carry out their day to day procedures without the internet. Yet, the fact remains, a large percentage of Americans are not allowed these same opportunities due to not being able to access the internet. Whether geographical hindrances or monetary issues that cause this divide, it is our countries responsibility to close this gap in society.

M2Z Networks has proposed a plan that would allow American families and small business owners to have accessibility to the internet through a nationwide broadband data network. This plan would supplement existing connectivity projects and aid in communities development. From students using the internet for research and assistance in their studies to the \$26.3 billion in retail sales via the Internet during the 2006 2nd Quarter alone, internet access is essential to fully functioning in our society. The need for nationwide internet access is more prevalent today and increasingly so tomorrow.

Please support this free universal wireless broadband network to afford all American's the same opportunities. A network like this would save families money and provide a means to access the internet to single mothers and minority communities who otherwise can not afford, not the luxury of but, the necessity of the Internet.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary H. Coleman".

Representative Mary Coleman
MS State Representative
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STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

March 30, 2007

FCC Secretary Marlene Dortch
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RE: Docket #07-16

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Our citizens with lower economical means are often left trailing when internet service is priced above their capacity. Our minorities are at risk and we must take heed and make a stance to protect these hard working citizens, their children, and the overall economy for all Americans.

Please extend access to the Internet to all Americans regardless of their economical status or residential location. Providing a free nationwide service would extend the world of information, commerce, and opportunity to all Americans and help us close the gap between the minorities and the more fortunate in our society.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Erik Fleming", written over a large, stylized flourish.

Representative Erik Fleming
State of Mississippi

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March 29, 2007

Marlene Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
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In Regards to: Children's Education: Docket # 07-16

Dear Ms. Secretary:

We as lawmakers are responsible for our children, to ensure they are given all the tools necessary to build a promising future. In 2001, the No Child Left Behind Act was signed into law. You now have before you an opportunity to, in continuance of this policy, make sure that children are not left behind to fall into a technological gap that will put great strain on their future.

Regardless of inner city or rural location, no child should be denied access to the invaluable internet due to no affordable existing broadband options. They should not only be provided an affordable or free internet service, but a safe and family friendly connection. Not only will providing this type internet service benefit the students, but also the teachers who can access teaching resources on-line and parents who can receive many valuable parenting and family resources. By making this service accessibly to our children, teachers, and parents we help assure that no child is truly left behind.

As I understand, there is currently a proposition by M2Z to make these ideals a reality by providing a fast, free, and family friendly broadband solution. I want to extend my support to making not only our dreams a reality, but to ensuring our children's dreams can be a reality as well.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Lee Jarrell Davis".

Rep. Lee Jarrell Davis
District 102 House of Representatives
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RE: Docket #07-16

Dear Ms. Secretary:

If a store is only accessible to half a population, it is reasonable to infer that it is not reaching its full market potential. Opening the Internet access capabilities to all Americans will support growth and development in our economy.

Only 35% of our nation's small businesses have a website, and merely 42% of American homes have broadband access to the internet. Are we truly reaching our market potential as internet commerce rises, or are we setting ourselves to lag behind other countries who already have affordable broadband access for their citizens? I believe the answer is apparent, and I trust that you and your team will ensure the growth and prosperity of our nation when considering docket #07-6.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joey E. Hudson".

Representative Joey E. Hudson
State of Mississippi
District 91

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March 5, 2007

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Federal Communications Commission
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Re: Broadband Internet for First Responders, Docket # 07-16

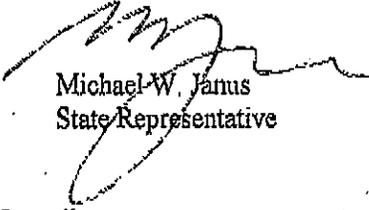
Madame Chairwoman:

I am the State Representative from Harrison County and a resident of Biloxi, MS. After Hurricane Katrina made landfall along the Mississippi Gulf Coast, the problem of interoperability among our first responders became increasingly evident. Our public safety network has reached its brink and it is our responsibility to ascertain a more efficient means of handling the safety matters pertaining to our citizens.

First responders need to be able to rely on effective communication at all times, especially in a crisis situation when their communication is invaluable. As we found during Katrina, there is no network in current existence that can assure this. I believe you currently have a proposal in front of you from M2Z Networks for free wireless broadband internet access; this poses a solution to the aforementioned problem. Harrison County and the Gulf Coast of Mississippi are not the only ones who would benefit from this proposal. Our nation needs this access for many reasons.

In terms of public safety, it would provide a seamless, nationwide network for open lines of communication between coordinating emergency staff. The network could complement preexisting networks and act as a backhaul. Additionally, this would be a valuable service to many municipal officials who are employed by local governments that lack the resources to afford internet access. Please take the great opportunity afforded to you and help provide a nationwide broadband internet service.

Sincerely,


Michael W. Janus
State Representative

CC: FCC Chairman Kevin Martin
Commissioners: Copps, Adelstein, Tate, McDowell
Fred Campbell, Wireless Bureau Chief
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STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

March 6, 2007

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

In Regards to: Children's Education: Docket # 07-16

Dear Ms. Secretary:

The Internet is increasingly being depended on in order to function in our day to day world. We teach arithmetic, reading, science, etc, but are we providing our children with the very tool that can, not only enhance these aforementioned skills but, provide the skills that will be needed in tomorrow's society.

Please make the internet accessible to all of our children, despite their backgrounds, support a free, family friendly nationwide broadband service.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mike Lott".

Representative Mike Lott
State of Mississippi

CC:

Chairman Kevin Martin
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March 29, 2007

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

FCC Secretary Marlene Dortch
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RE: Docket #07-16

Dear Ms. Dortch:

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A network like this would save families money and provide a means to access the internet to single mothers and minority communities who otherwise can not afford, not the luxury of but, the necessity of the internet. Please support this free universal wireless broadband network to afford all American's the same opportunities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Wanda Jennings".

Representative Wanda Jennings
MS State Representative
District 7

CC:

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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
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RE: Internet Access for Education (Docket No. 07-16)

Dear Mrs. Secretary:

As the State Capitol Medical RN, I am familiar with our state's first responders and the plights they face in disaster situations. Communications become an extreme issue when lives are on the line. A national broadband access would help support existing communication lines and present opportunities where these type plans do not exist.

I am writing in the support of the proposal by M2Z Networks to provide a nationwide broadband internet access. Please extend you support to this issue as it has the potential to save lives.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Reta Holden".

Ms Reta Holden RN
MS State Capitol Medical RN

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STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

March 6, 2007

Marlene Dortch, Secretary
FCC Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street SW
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Re: Docket # 07-16

Dear Secretary:

Sincerely,

I believe that the cure to many of the infectious problems we face today in society is education. Providing our youth of today with all the tools necessary to prosper tomorrow will not only help them attain their dreams, but also create a stronger economy and a lower crime rate.

The students most at risk to creating the demoralizing statistics we have become so accustomed to are the very ones who are being denied access to the most powerful education tool of our time. The Internet provides a window into various aspects of the world and encourages exploration and imagination. With such wonderful resources for all subjects of study the Internet is a medium that can provide an essential form of education.

Please support the proposal of M2Z Networks and let our children step into a world of new possibilities. Do not let our children become a statistic. Invite them to grow by granting them access to the wonderful world of the Internet.

Representative Brian Aldridge
State of Mississippi

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian Aldridge".

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March 6, 2007

Marlene Dortch, Secretary
FCC Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Docket # 07-16

Dear Secretary:

The Internet is a vital part of a sound educational future and offers tremendous potential to help students learn and help teachers teach basic and advanced skills. Allowing students to travel the world and receive great information about most any topic, from the comfort of home, is a great way to promote learning and exploration.

The internet provides an exciting source of learning possibilities and can help ensure a stronger future for our children. The responsibility of opening doors and promoting education and creativity is held by legislators, teachers, parents... You. Let us give our children every opportunity to succeed by granting them all a safe way to access the internet that everyone can afford.

Please don't slight our children who are underprivileged and provide a nationwide broadband service to expand educational opportunities for all.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "S. Bondurant".

Representative Sidney Bondurant
State of Mississippi

CC:
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Abstract Business Advisors, LLC

209 Momingside South, Ridgeland, MS 39157

November 30, 2006

Chairman Kevin Martin
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Room 8-B201
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Broadband Access for Small Businesses

Dear Mr. Chairman:

The Internet offers unparalleled resources for businesses. For small businesses, these resources have barely been tapped. Currently, only 35% of small businesses have websites. Websites allow businesses to reach the global market; no other medium has this potential.

The small businesses that do not have access to the internet are foregoing advantageous marketing opportunities. The Internet is a maze and it is easy to stumble across one thing while looking for another. I have found many great things by accident, when searching the Internet. Additionally, these small businesses are not able to participate fully in the world of e-commerce.

Because they lack do not have access to the internet, they are missing opportunities to make money. The less money these business owners make, the less money they will have to pump into the American economy. It is a vicious cycle that is doomed to repeat itself unless we do something to stop it. You have a proposal in front of you for fast free internet. This is exactly what the small business owners of America need.

Small businesses account for nearly all of the businesses that operate in America. Due to a lack of broadband internet access, they are suffering and so is the American economy. When deliberating on the vitally important decision, please consider the burden the economy will suffer if our small businesses continue to operate without tapping their market potential. Fast, free internet is the smart solution.

Sincerely,



Charles K. Brown
Abstract Business Advisors, LLC

CC: Commissioner Copps
Commissioner Adelstein
Commissioner Tate
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STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

Secretary Marlene Dortch
FCC Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

In regards to: Docket # 07-16
Dear Ms. Dortch:

The Internet is a vital element in today's fast paced, technological society. In every aspect of our culture, the Internet has now been integrated. We rely on this system for information, purchasing, business, and communication. This is a reality that cannot be placed aside, rather must be embraced.

To isolate citizens of our great nation because they cannot afford to acquire access to the internet or the service is not provided in their area will strain our economy and create a larger divide between our social classes. Those who are not connected on the internet highways are excluded from job opportunities and the growing commerce that exist through the web.

I ask that you make the Internet accessible to all Americans, giving them an equal opportunity to thrive. Please support a free nationwide broadband service to create better opportunities to the great constituents of America.

Sincerely,


Representative Gary Chism
State of Mississippi

CC:

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March 29, 2007

Secretary Marlene Dortch
FCC Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

In regards to: Docket # 07-16
Dear Ms. Dortch:

I write to you today in hopes of a better tomorrow. The fact is my state is one in which a free broadband- internet opportunity may be the only way hundreds of thousands of individuals and particularly children will ever experience the world at their finger tips.

My District here in Mississippi is made up of mostly the inner City of Jackson- the state's Capitol. The Internet is vital to every aspect of our culture; it has now been integrated for information, purchasing, business, and communication. To isolate anyone would be a loss but to isolate America's most needy because they cannot afford to acquire access to the internet will create a larger divide between our social classes.

Please stand with those of us in America's deep south and support a free nationwide broadband service to create better opportunities here in Mississippi and across the nation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Credell Calhoun".

Representative Credell Calhoun
State of Mississippi

CC:

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STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

March 5, 2007

FCC Secretary Marlene Dortch
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street SW
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RE: Docket #07-16

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The Internet provides individuals with the capacity to function in society. Without this access individuals can find themselves lagging behind. Our minorities are at risk and we must take heed and make a stance to protect these hard working citizens, their children, and the overall economy for all Americans.

Our citizens with lower economical means can find themselves left behind when internet service is priced above their capacity. Providing a free nationwide service would extend the world of information, commerce, and opportunity to all Americans and help us close the gap between the minorities and the more fortunate in our society.

Please extend access to the Internet to all Americans, not just those living in upper class urban America.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alyce G. Clarke".

Representative Alyce G. Clarke
State of Mississippi
District 69

CC:

Chairman Kevin Martin
Commissioner Copps
Commissioner Adelstein
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Wireless Bureau Chief Fred Campbell
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US Senator Thad Cochran

CITY OF RAYMOND

November 16, 2006

Chairman Kevin Martin
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Room 8-B201
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Public Safety Communications

Dear Chairman:

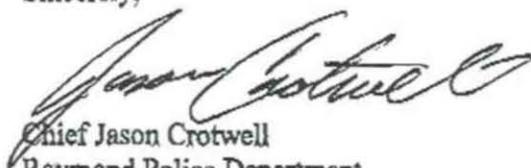
At this time, our nation's public safety system lacks a seamless nationwide secondary data network. In order for our first responders to function efficiently, they need a reliable secondary network for emergency communications and everyday administration.

I recently discovered that a proposal has been laid on the table that will provide a free, redundant network for all public safety organizations. In addition, this will come at no cost to federal or state governments. I think this is an idea worth more than contemplation.

In recent years, we have seen the need for a more civilized communication system among first responders. Now that we have the chance to improve the system, we should. I have heard of other proposals of this nature, but in those cases, the taxpayer would bear the burden. Why make the taxpayers responsible when the market has generated a solution?

The bottom line is that something needs to be done to improve how our public safety system communicates. I ask you to consider the proposal at hand for free broadband wireless internet access so that we can avoid the miscommunication closely associated with disasters such as Katrina and 9/11.

Sincerely,



Chief Jason Croftwell
Raymond Police Department
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FCC Secretary Marlene Dortch
Kathy Seidel, Acting Chief, Wireless Bureau

CITY OF RAYMOND

November 15, 2006

Chairman Kevin Martin
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Room 8-B201
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Broadband Access for Small Businesses

Dear Mr. Chairman:

The Internet offers unparalleled resources for businesses. For mid to small towns such as Raymond, Mississippi, these resources have barely been tapped. I understand that currently, only 35% of small businesses have websites. Websites allow businesses to reach the global market. No other medium has this potential.

The small businesses in our area that do not have access to the internet are foregoing advantageous marketing opportunities by not being able to participate fully in the world of e-commerce.

For Mississippi, small businesses account for nearly all of the businesses that operate in our rural towns and communities. The argument is plausible that due to a lack of broadband internet access, they will continue to have higher rates of failure or at the very least find themselves at a tremendous disadvantage to remain competitive.

The cost of Broadband has continued to diminish nationwide and yet the fact that there remains a cost is reason we along with others are seeking relief. Please review the plan that is before the FCC and help mayors such as me provide additional opportunities to our citizens.

Sincerely,



Mayor Isla Tullos
Raymond MS

CC: Senator Thad Cochran
Senator Trent Lott
Congressman Chip Pickering
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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, ubiquitous access to reliable broadband internet service is essential for our nation's economy to grow and compete in the information economy; and

WHEREAS, for many Americans, reliable, quality broadband Internet access is either too costly or simply unavailable, which lack of access has contributed to a digital divide that separates Americans in their access to information and, consequently, in their ability to give fair opportunities to their children and participate in the information economy and in civic affairs; and

WHEREAS, the United States continues to fall further behind other countries with regard to the availability of broadband Internet access; and

WHEREAS, protecting children from exposure to indecent material on the Internet continues to be a serious challenge with which parents and educators need help; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for reliable communication among first responders, command centers, and municipal officials everyday and in response to natural disasters, acts of terrorism and other emergencies; and

WHEREAS, there is increasing demand among Americans for broadband access that is available where they need it, not just at home or at work; and

WHEREAS, a nationwide, free, wireless broadband network that is made safe for children, by employing network-level filtering of indecent material, would benefit the American public in many ways, by:

- Helping to bridge the digital divide and give more Americans the opportunity to participate in the information economy and in civic affairs, and to afford their children access to learning resources outside the classroom, or when library access may be infeasible
- Helping American businesses, and, in particular, small businesses and entrepreneurs, compete in the United States and around the world by increasing access to information, encouraging innovation, expanding marketing opportunities, and improving prospects for growth
- Protecting children from indecent material on the Internet, while allowing for increased freedom to use the Internet as an educational tool in school, at home, and in home schools
- Improving the ability of first responders, command centers, and municipal officials to respond to emergencies, thereby enhancing public safety

- Providing access where Americans need and want it, to download maps and to stay in touch by email, even when they are not at home or at their desks; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Raymond, Mississippi would benefit from such a wireless broadband network.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mayor and Raymond Board of Aldermen support efforts to provide free, nationwide, wireless broadband access that will help bridge the digital divide that separates many Americans, help all Americans compete for jobs in the information economy, ensure a safe environment and prosperous future for our children, and make us global leaders in providing our citizenry access to the Internet and all its benefits; and

BE IT FURTHER RESPOLVED, that the Mayor and Raymond Board of Aldermen urge the elected representatives of its citizens in Washington, the United States government and the Federal Communications Commission to support a public-private partnership approach and consider all alternatives to delivering free, nationwide, wireless broadband access to its citizens.

Dated this 5th day of December, 2006.

Isla Tullos, Mayor
City of Raymond
Mississippi



March 6, 2007

Marlene Dortch, Secretary
FCC Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Docket # 07-16

Dear Secretary:

The economical means of many of our subcontractors and their workers prohibits them from accessing the countless opportunities afforded by the internet. These are the very men and women who work so hard to make the society we have function. These are the individuals who stay behind the scenes laying the foundations, bricks, piping systems, etc. that we depend on in our everyday lives.

Should we not provide these individuals with a way to make their businesses run smoother, abilities to network with other subcontractors within the community, and to make the lives of their workers more satisfactory? What a great tool the Internet can provide in updating employees who have no office with schedules, notice of a work day cancellation, boundless information pertaining to their field, and so much more.

Please consider these tenacious workers when you bring up docket #07-16 and the proposal of M2Z Networks.

Respectfully,

John Sullivan
Board Administrator
American Subcontractors Association

CC:
Chairman Kevin Martin
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March 6, 2007

Marlene Dortch, Secretary
FCC Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Docket # 07-16
Dear Secretary:

I have recently been informed of a proposal from M2Z Networks that would provide free nationwide broadband internet access. I wanted to extend my support to this issue as it would ensure that the travelers of today could function appropriately while they are away from their homes and offices. The Internet is a fundamental instrument in today's society and a nationwide service would open up opportunities in our more rural areas and allow travelers to roam more freely around the United States without being encompassed by the issue of connectivity. I ask for your support in providing this service to our nation's travelers.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Sledge".

Scott Sledge
Regional Manager
MMI Hotel Group

CC:
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November 15, 2006

Chairman Kevin Martin
Federal Communications Commission
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Washington, DC 20554

RE: Free Broadband Access

Dear Mr. Chairman:

The Internet has been one of the greatest inventions of our generation. I can email a friend who lives in China, read about the latest news in Germany, ship a package to Australia, all while listening to music from South America without ever leaving my computer desk. I, for one, cannot believe the many uses we have found for the Internet, and the list continues to grow.

With an evolving interdependence on the Internet, you can now find news, government services, and other essential information online. There is, however, one huge drawback: lack of accessibility. Currently, millions of Americans have dial-up internet connections. These connections are very slow and usually timeout while users are trying to access a webpage, especially if that page has many pictures or other graphics. The necessary solution is broadband.

Currently, a little over 40% of American homes have broadband. That means that almost 60% are unable to access important government services, get important news updates, and participate in much needed civic discourse. It is unacceptable that the majority of Americans do not have access to these resources.

As an entrepreneur in the Law Enforcement and First Responder Data Interoperability field, especially in rural parts of the United States, I have seen the benefits that broadband access can bring immediately providing needed capabilities. It is time now to allow others the opportunity afforded through a free internet access program. I appreciate your consideration of this effort and respectfully request your action to ensure the opportunity.

Best regards,

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Mississippi Hotel & Lodging Association

March 7, 2007

Secretary Marlene Dortch
Federal Communications Commission
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RE: Docket #07-16

Dear Ms. Dortch:

As the executive director of the Mississippi Hotel and Lodging Association, the plight of travelers to be able to carry on their business affairs via the internet is not a foreign concept to me. Business travelers as well as individuals who want to stay connected to friends and family would benefit from a nationwide broadband service.

Not only would this invaluable service save the hotels from having to provide this necessity, but travelers often spend excessive dollars while away from home. Providing them a secure way to search businesses and tourism events in an area heightens the chance they will pump money into our economy. Furthermore, while sitting in a hotel room with little else to do, it is probable that they would engage in the rapidly growing commerce of the Internet.

Please help provide convenience to our travelers and promote our economy by supporting a free nationwide broadband service.

Sincerely,

Linda Hornsby
MHLA Executive Director

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March 6, 2007

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Re: Docket # 07-16

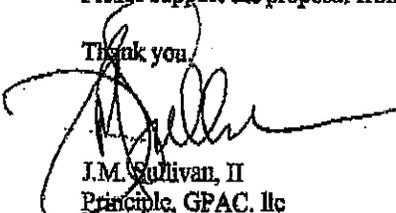
Dear Secretary:

Dealing heavily with the legislation of the great state of Mississippi, I understand that the impact of the decisions made often are far more reaching than the surface presents and must be carefully evaluated. After reviewing the proposal of M2Z Networks, I am writing to indorse their offer and ask for your support as well.

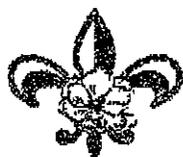
Many of the constituents in Mississippi do not posses the economical means to access the Internet and all of the opportunities it affords. Providing a free nationwide broadband system however, will not erase the market that currently exists. Individuals with the means to afford broadband now will not be complacent with the free service as it will not protect from pop-ups or be as efficient as systems they currently use now. The new system would offer a great advantage to those who currently do not have access to the internet and enhance the performance of those who currently subscribe to internet services.

Please support the proposal from M2Z Networks when considering docket #07-16.

Thank you


J.M. Sullivan, II
Principle, GPAC, llc

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LOUISIANA~MISSISSIPPI
HOSPICE AND PALLIATIVE CARE ORGANIZATION

March 6, 2007

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In Regards to: The spirit of the ill: Docket # 07-16

Dear Ms. Secretary:

My present position has given me the opportunity to come into contact with many individuals whose spirit has been altered by illness. Hospice care is for all age groups including children, adults, and the elderly during the final stages of life. The goal of hospice is to care for the patient and their family, not just the illness. That being said, patients need a way to stay in contact with their friends and family as well as the world around them.

A free nationwide broadband service would allow these patients a means, whereby they otherwise would not be able to afford, to communicate, receive pictures, and remain informed. Mail letters and phone calls more often are not placed due to hectic schedules and today's fast paced world. Ensure that the spirits of these patients are not neglected and support a means for them to interact in our technological society.

Respectfully,

Jamey Boudreaux
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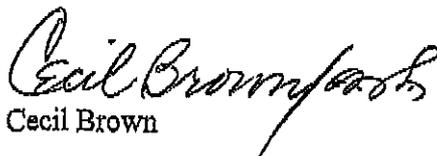
Dear Ms. Secretary:

As Chairman of the House Education Committee, the developing minds of our youth are an issue that is near and dear to my heart. Legislators have the prestigious honor to serve our constituents and their best interest, and I feel it is our duty to protect our children and secure their future.

It has come to my attention that you hold in your hands the prospect of providing all American children the learning venues afforded by the internet, in a safe and secure environment. A nationwide broadband network would provide at home educational opportunities that both students and parents could engage in together. Furthermore, with the filtration system proposed by M2Z Networks, parents and educators would not have to agonize over what their children are exposed to.

I extend my commendation to the work you have already done and will continue to do. Please consider the great privilege you have at hand to further the education of our children when taking into account docket #07-16.

Sincerely,


Cecil Brown

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