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

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Re: ET Docket No. 04-186

I am writing to request that the Federal Communications Commission completes the final order in the Matter of Unlicensed Operation in the TV Broadcast Bands (ET Docket No. 04-186) in an expedited and timely manner.

Right now, the FCC has a unique opportunity to make currently unused spectrum available for last mile, broadband deployment. This vacant spectrum, known as "white space", is ideal for providing service to rural and underserved areas, helping to connect the unconnected and providing new opportunities for education and economic growth, especially in rural America.

I, along with millions of other American citizens living in rural and underserved areas, must be afforded the same opportunity to receive wireless broadband services and other unlicensed consumer applications.

Thank you for consideration of this request and I look forward to the timely completion of the FCC's white space order to spur broadband deployment to underserved and unserved areas in my region and throughout the country.

Sincerely,

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