



**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF
WOMEN BUSINESS OWNERS**

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Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

RE: WT Docket No. 08-94

Dear Commissioners:

The National Association of Women Business Owners[®] (NAWBO[®]) is the voice of America's 10.4 million women-owned businesses. Since 1975, NAWBO[®] has helped propel women business owners to expand their entrepreneurial capacity and raise their voice to shape economic and public policy. With 9,000 members and 80 chapters across the United States, NAWBO[®] is the only dues-based national organization representing the interests of all women entrepreneurs across all industries.

NAWBO[®] promotes and supports innovative business practices that increase the economic vitality of the communities that we serve and provides women entrepreneurs with increased access to the tools and resources that they need to take their businesses to the next level of success. We strongly urge the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to approve the New Clearwire transaction because we believe that it will promote the deployment of new and advanced communications services to all consumers and the small business community at large.

Clearwire and Sprint have agreed to combine their next-generation wireless broadband businesses to form a new wireless company, named Clearwire. The new company will focus on expediting deployment of America's first nationwide mobile WiMAX network to provide a dramatically faster true mobile broadband experience for consumers, previously underserved communities, small businesses, medium and large enterprises, public safety organizations and educational institutions. New Clearwire's open-standard WiMAX technology allow new entrants and small businesses, including those in minority communities, to design and deploy their own applications and devices that can run on New Clearwire's nationwide network. New Clearwire will allow any consumer or small business to develop and access their own content applications and communications devices, which will ultimately promote the creation of custom-made communications platforms serving minority communities throughout the country.

As a longstanding partner of NAWBO[®], we believe in Sprint Nextel's commitment to the success and growth of the business community and commend their innovative and forward-thinking solutions to broaden access and resources to the communities they serve. We recommend that the FCC approve the proposed transaction between Clearwire and Sprint to improve the communications platform for businesses and communities in this increasingly competitive and global economy.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

Cynthia McClain-Hill
President