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October 6, 2008

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
The Portals
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: Withdrawal of 2.5 GHz Transition Initiation Plan for Bismarck, ND (BTA 045)
WT Docket No. 06-136**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 27.1231(f)(2) of the rules of the Federal Communications Commission ("Commission"), 47 C.F.R. § 27.1231(f)(2), American Telecasting of Bismarck, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Sprint Nextel Corporation (collectively "Sprint Nextel") hereby notifies the Commission that it withdraws the 2.5 GHz Transition Initiation Plan filed May 6, 2008, to transition the Broadband Radio Service ("BRS") and EBS ("Educational Broadband Service") licensees in Basic Trading Area ("BTA") 045 – Bismarck, ND.¹

As required by Section 27.1231(f)(2) of the Commission's rules, Sprint Nextel also has notified all affected BRS and EBS licensees in BTA 045 - Bismarck, ND, that it is withdrawing its 2.5 GHz Transition Initiation Plan to transition BTA 045.

In the event you have any questions regarding Sprint Nextel's Withdrawal of the 2.5 GHz Transition Initiation Plan for BTA 045, please contact the undersigned at (703) 433-4222.

Sincerely,

/s/ R. H. McNamara

Robert H. McNamara
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¹ See Public Notice, *Initiation Plans Filed in WT Docket No. 06-136*, DA 08-1135, (rel. May 13, 2008).