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Ex Parte

Commissioner Jonathan S. Adelstein
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Television White Spaces Proceeding
ET Docket Nos. 04-186, 02-380

Dear Commissioner Adelstein:

On November 4th, while Americans across the country are casting their election ballots, you may be voting on a spectrum policy order that will advance American innovation and job growth more than any in your tenure – the white spaces order. I'm writing to thank you in advance for what will be a tremendous achievement and to urge you to resist calls for delay and efforts to handcuff this new technology through unnecessary restrictions.

After years of analysis and hard work by Office of Engineering and Technology, the Commission now has a clear recommendation that white spaces devices are ready to move forward. White spaces technologies will form the foundation of a whole new class of wireless broadband services. The applications of this technology are nearly limitless. There will be more expansive Internet access available in all communities, urban and rural, through laptop computers and other wireless devices. This connectivity will spur increased economic productivity by allowing millions of people to get and share information, start home-based and small businesses, and participate in online communities, among many other potential applications.

Serious challenges lie ahead in returning our economy to stability and growth. The policy choices made by our government in the coming weeks and months will be crucial in determining our success in turning around the current crisis. This environment makes your vote even more important. Your approval of the white spaces order will trigger a boom in investment, job creation, and consumer demand in the high-tech sector, which has been the engine of our information economy. We fully anticipate seeing billions of dollars of much needed new investment support R&D and deployment for this exciting new technology. Innovation will be the basis of American economic recovery and a vote for white spaces is a vote for innovation.

Please resist calls to delay your vote and recognize that last-minute efforts to impose onerous and unnecessary restrictions are nothing more than attempts to kill innovation. The OET has completed the most public, transparent, and intense review in its history, and declared that white spaces technologies can move forward. I look forward to bringing our first white-spaces-enabled laptop to your office to show you the benefits you have brought to consumers.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. S. Dell". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Michael" and last name "Dell" clearly distinguishable.

Michael S. Dell
Chairman and CEO