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Written *Ex Parte* Communication

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Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W. Room TW-A325
Washington, DC 20554

RE: Sprint Nextel Corporation and Clearwire Corporation Seek FCC Consent to Transfer Control of Licenses and Authorizations, WT Docket No. 08-94

Dear Ms. Dortch:

As a condition of its approval of the application filed by Sprint Nextel Corporation (Sprint Nextel) and Clearwire Corporation in the above-referenced proceeding (the Transaction), Sprint Nextel offers a voluntary condition concerning Universal Service Fund (USF) support.

Specifically, Sprint Nextel agrees to the following condition. At the end of a five-year transition, Sprint Nextel would not seek federal high-cost USF support for its wireless service unless such request is supported by an actual cost analysis or by whatever mechanism the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) may subsequently adopt pursuant to a general rulemaking. Effective upon thirty (30) days after the date of consummation of the Transaction, but no later than December 31, 2008, Sprint Nextel's total federal high-cost support funding would be reduced by 20%, and by an additional 20% per year for each of the subsequent four years. In the event that the Commission adopts a different transition mechanism or a successor mechanism to the current equal support rule under which support is currently capped, in a rulemaking of general applicability, however, then that rule of general applicability would apply instead.

Sprint Nextel remains committed to the provision of wireless services in the rural and high-cost areas in which it is a designated eligible telecommunications carrier, and it looks forward to working with the Commission to ensure that such services remain available to the millions of subscribers who live, work, and travel through such areas.

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Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's Rules, this written *ex parte* communication is being filed electronically at the request of the staff of the Commission. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me.

Sincerely,

/s/ Lawrence R. Krevor

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