



December 4, 2008

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW, TW-A325
Washington, D.C. 20554

Ex Parte Notice:

In the Matter of Service Rules for Advanced Wireless Services in the 2155-2175 MHz Band, WT Docket No. 07-195

In the Matter of Service Rules for Advanced Wireless Services in the 1915-1920 MHz, 1995-2000 MHz, 2020-2025 MHz and 2175-2180 MHz Bands, WT Docket No. 04-356

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Wednesday, December 3, 2008, Jill Canfield of the National Telecommunications Cooperative Association (NTCA) met with Bruce Gottlieb of Commissioner Michael Copps' office to discuss a reported FCC plan to auction certain Advanced Wireless Services (AWS)-2 and AWS-3 spectrum blocks as a single nationwide license with a requirement that the licensee provide free broadband service. NTCA stated that mandating the AWS-3 band licensee to provide free broadband service would place rural incumbent local exchange carriers' broadband service offerings at a competitive disadvantage and would discourage further investment in rural broadband infrastructure. NTCA discussed the licensing of the spectrum on the basis of Cellular Market Areas, providing rural wireless carriers a realistic opportunity to participate in an auction.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, a copy of this letter is being filed via ECFS with your office. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 703-351-2020.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jill Canfield
Jill Canfield
Senior Regulatory Counsel
Legal and Industry

cc: Bruce Gottlieb