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Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
The Portals
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Washington, DC 20554

RE: Request for Extension of Time

Fixed Wireless Holdings, LLC
Transition of the 2500-2690 MHz Band for BRS and EBS
Transition Area: BTA Number 36: Bellingham, WA

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On November 2, 2006, Fixed Wireless Holdings, LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Clearwire Corporation (together "Clearwire"), filed its Transition Initiation Plan for BTA Number 36: Bellingham, Washington. Pursuant to the Commission's rules, that Transition was supposed to be completed by August 1, 2008. On July 31, 2008, Clearwire requested and received a six month extension to complete the Transition due to unanticipated delays associated with international coordination which were beyond Clearwire's control. Unfortunately, delays with international coordination, which remain beyond Clearwire's control have continued and Clearwire hereby requests a brief, additional two months in which to complete that Transition.

Clearwire has been diligently working on completing this Transition since it was initiated. It obtained all of the information required under the Commission's rules through research of the Commission's databases and through data provided by EBS licenses in response to Clearwire's Pre-Transition Data Request. On November 2, 2006, Clearwire filed its Transition Initiation Plan with the Commission and sent its Transition Notice to all of the licensees in the BTA, as required under the rules. Clearwire then prepared its Transition Plan and on December 27, 2006, Clearwire sent the Plan out to all 2.5 GHz licensees within the Bellingham BTA. It received no counter proposals. Clearwire performed a frequency scan to confirm what was operating on the 2.5 GHz spectrum within the BTA, and found nothing out of the ordinary. It then proceeded with the Transition.

As the Commission is aware, the Bellingham BTA borders Canada. Due to the proximity of the Bellingham BTA to the international border, and given the fact that the FCC's transition rules do not make clear the process for dealing with international borders and international operators with respect to the Transition process, Clearwire had discussions with staff to determine what was

necessary. After those discussions with staff, Clearwire determined that it was necessary to reach out to the Canadian operators in the 2.5 GHz band to obtain their consent to the Transition. Clearwire then proceeded to contact the relevant Canadian operators to obtain their consent to the Transition. That process continues to take substantially longer than expected. Clearwire experienced protracted delays in obtaining the necessary consents and the process remains ongoing. Clearwire is still in discussions with both operators in Canada. One of the operators, CraigWireless, is awaiting additional information from Industry Canada before it makes a decision regarding Clearwire's request for consent. CraigWireless is concerned about the impacts of operating mismatched channels across the border and the length of time of this operation. The second operator, Inukshuk, is primarily concerned about the limited spectrum availability as Clearwire re-bands the spectrum and begins to transition to WiMax, while operating its pre-WiMax network simultaneously, for a period of time. Clearwire owns or leases all 33 channels of the post-transition spectrum band and all of the channels available in the pre-transition band are in use. Clearwire hopes that the coordination process will be concluded shortly and has therefore requested only a brief, additional delay. Out of an abundance of caution, because obtaining these consents is not something Clearwire can unilaterally complete, it respectfully asks for a brief, additional two months to complete the Transition process and to file its Transition Completion notice.

If there are any questions, please contact the undersigned at (202) 351-5033 or at cathy.massey@clearwire.com.

Sincerely,



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