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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth St., SW
Washington, DC 20554

February 19, 2009

Re: *Ex Parte* Notice

WT Docket 06-150; WT Docket 98-86; AU Docket 07-157, PS
Docket 06-229; WP Docket No. 07-100

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On February 19, 2009 representatives and members of the Telecommunications Industry Association (TIA) met with David Furth, Acting Bureau Chief of the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau (Bureau); Erika Olsen, Deputy Bureau Chief; and Tim Peterson, Chief of Staff. The TIA representative was Patrick Sullivan. TIA members present were Mary Brown of Cisco, Praveen Goyal of RIM, Kim Bam and Stu Overby of Motorola, Mark Racek of John Hane representing SkyTerra Subsidiary LLC; and Joanne Dalton of Tyco Electronics.

In this meeting, TIA relayed its support the National Telecommunications and Information Administration grant programs for broadband deployment as established in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. TIA urged the Bureau to provide technical guidance to the NTIA, and TIA relayed its willingness to provide any appropriate assistance as the grant process moves forward.

TIA discussed the considerable efforts of the Bureau to make the 700 MHz spectrum block available for broadband technologies and a shared wireless network. TIA also discussed the Bureau's work to address the D Block shared network plan under the current rules. We discussed TIA's continued efforts to advocate for policies in the proceeding that will expedite the D Block auction. TIA expressed its hope that Chairman Copps will conclude his review of this proceeding as quickly as possible in order to make the spectrum available for both public interest and economic reasons. On a related matter, TIA detailed its support for the deployment of a public safety interoperable network and both Commission and legislative efforts to make such a network a reality.

Finally, TIA requested that the Commission ensure that 4.9 GHz licensees have authority to operate on a primary basis both mesh deployments and fixed links to enhance mobile functionality in public safety networks, and make the measurement rule for 4.9 GHz the same as Part 15, as the technologies used in the unlicensed bands governed by Part 15 are identical to those used in public safety spectrum in 4.9 MHz.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206, a copy of this letter is being filed electronically today. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me at (202) 346-3244.

Sincerely,

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Patrick Sullivan,
Director, Technical and Government Affairs

Cc: David Furth, Erika Olsen, Tim Peterson