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Federal Communications Commission
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Washington DC 20554

WT Docket No. 04-344, Reply to Petition for Reconsideration

MariTEL, Inc. (“MariTEL”) hereby submits its reply comments to the PacifiCorp Petition for Reconsideration (“Petition”) concerning the Amendment of the Commission’s Rules Regarding Maritime Automatic Identification Systems. In the Petition, PacifiCorp asks the Commission to modify its decision which provides replacement spectrum for VPC licensees that will lose channel 87B in license areas that were auctioned without any AIS spectrum obligation.

PacifiCorp accurately demonstrates that the public safety set-aside channel to be used as replacement spectrum will only facilitate VPC licensees use of one 12.5 kHz channel and the FCC’s decision does not account for the loss of the interstitial channels that would otherwise be available. MariTEL supports both the PacifiCorp proposal to provide an equitable spectrum replacement solution and the Commission’s continued effort to foster growth of AIS and related maritime VHF data services.

Respectfully,

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