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August 3, 2009

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

Re: Amendment of Parts 2 and 95 of the Commission's Rules to Provide Additional Spectrum for the Medical Device Radiocommunication Service in the 413-457 MHz Band (ET Dkt. No. 09-36; RM-11404)

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The Southern California Biomedical Council (SoCalBio) eagerly supports expeditious Commission action to encourage deployment of medical micro-power network ("MMN") devices in the 413-457 MHz band.

SoCalBio is a non-profit trade association supporting the growth of biotech and biomedical commercialization activities in the Greater Los Angeles region for economic development and job creation. The Council has been actively involved in, among other things, promoting new firm formation based on novel technologies addressing unmet medical needs as in the case of neuromuscular injuries and conditions such as spinal cord and traumatic brain injuries, strokes, epileptic seizures, and cerebral palsy are among the areas. We are keenly aware of the tremendous physical, psychological, and financial burdens imposed by these injuries and conditions. Currently, the available medical treatment options are limited, and the demand for better, more effective options continues to grow as these injuries and conditions take their toll on an increasing number of people and their families and friends.

We are aware that the Alfred Mann Foundation ("AMF") has been developing MMN devices that could be invaluable in the treatment of various neuromuscular injuries and conditions. We believe that MMN technology provides a unique wireless approach that is unlike any commercially available medical treatment option. This technology, if successfully implemented, will revolutionize the medical treatment and therapy for millions of people suffering from debilitating neuromuscular injuries and conditions.

If there is even a small chance that this groundbreaking technology can deliver on a fraction of its promises, the Commission should dedicate the resources necessary to allow the technology to realize its full potential. We urge the Commission to allocate the full amount of spectrum requested by AMF for MMN use and to adopt service and technical rules permitting MMN operation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ahmed A. Enany". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a light blue rectangular background.

Ahmed A. Enany
President & CEO
Southern California Biomedical Council

