

October 21, 2009

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

Re: *Ex Parte* Communication, Revisions to Rules Authorizing the Operation of Low Power Auxiliary Stations in the 698-806 MHz Band, WT Docket No. 08-166; Public Interest Spectrum Coalition, Petition for Rulemaking Regarding Low Power Auxiliary Stations, Including Wireless Microphones, and the Digital Television Transition, WT Docket No. 08-167

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On October 20, 2009, Christopher Guttman-McCabe, Vice President, Regulatory Affairs, Scott Bergmann, Assistant Vice President, Regulatory Affairs and Brian Josef, Director, Regulatory Affairs, CTIA–The Wireless Association®, along with Peter Connelly of Holland & Knight, LLP (counsel to U.S. Cellular), Jeanine Poltronieri of AT&T, and Adam Krinsky of Wilkinson Barker Knauer (counsel to CTIA) met with Ruth Milkman, Jim Schlichting, Paul Murray, Paul D’Ari, and Matthew Nodine of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau.

During the meeting, the parties discussed the significant risk of interference to both commercial and public safety communications systems caused by the continued use of the 700 MHz band by wireless microphones and other LPAS devices after the transition date. CTIA and members companies reiterated their desire that the FCC issue an order affirming the Commission’s tentative conclusion that this spectrum must be cleared of all LPAS devices.¹ The parties also discussed the challenges associated with assessing the scope of wireless microphones in use in the 700 MHz band and the need for an effective plan for education and outreach that takes into account impact and timing on wireless microphone users.

The parties also stressed the importance of an immediate decision prohibiting the manufacture, import, sale, offer for sale or shipment of LPAS devices operating in the 700 MHz band to prevent further devices from entering the market.

¹ Revisions to Rules Authorizing the Operation of Low Power Auxiliary Stations in the 698-806 MHz Band, *Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and Order*, 23 FCC Rcd 13106 (2008).

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's Rules, this letter is being electronically filed with your office. If you have any questions regarding this submission, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher Guttman-McCabe

Christopher Guttman-McCabe

cc: Ruth Milkman
Jim Schlichting
Matthew Nodine
Paul Murray
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