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Ms. Marlene Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: PS Docket 06-229, Notice of *Ex Parte* Meeting

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This is to inform the Commission that the undersigned met with Admiral Jamie Barnett, David Furth, Jennifer Manner, and Jeff Cohen of the Public Safety & Homeland Security Bureau on November 6, 2009, to discuss the above-referenced proceeding. I reiterated positions set forth in APCO's prior written comments, including APCO's strong support for a nationwide public safety broadband network. I noted APCO's support for legislation to reallocate the D Block to public safety, but also explained that, absent adoption of such legislation, the Commission should proceed to auction the D block with conditions that would facilitate public-private partnerships to fund the network and provide cost-effective and spectrum-efficient broadband communications in a shared network environment. I also commented that it will be important to facilitate participation in the network by critical infrastructure industries and federal partners.

Please contact the undersigned should the Commission require any additional information.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

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Director of Legal and Government Affairs

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