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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

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

November 17, 2009

Re: *Ex Parte* Notice

PS Docket No. 06-229, GN Docket No. 09-51

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Monday, November 16, 2009, a representative of the Telecommunications Industry Association (TIA) met with Mr. Charles Mathias, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Meredith Attwell Baker. The TIA representative was Patrick Sullivan.

In this meeting, TIA stated that with continued advancement in broadband technologies, diverse applications and devices will be developed that will benefit the health of our citizens, our nation's education, public safety, and the environment. TIA noted that spectrum availability is one of the most significant triggers of wireless innovation and competition, and that a spectrum inventory will help facilitate increased spectrum availability. TIA also noted that the Commission's shift to a competition-based, technology neutral regulatory structure has resulted in the development of a variety of wireless technologies, platforms, service, applications, and devices available to American consumers. TIA stated that additional government funding needs to be directed towards network-focused research and development to solve some of the problems at the core of next generation wireless networks.

TIA also urged the Commission to rapidly craft policies to create a financially and technically viable nationwide public safety broadband network. TIA stated that any requests for waivers to allow regional or local entities to build their own interoperable public safety networks should be reviewed in the context of ensuring technical and economic viability of the nationwide network.

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: Charles Mathias